

Final BULLETINS

Opposition M.P.'s To Go to Parley

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King announced this afternoon that representatives of the opposition in the House of Commons will be included in the Canadian delegation to the San Francisco World Security Conference opening April 25.

Premier On Visit To Roosevelt

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King left this afternoon for Washington to visit President Roosevelt. He boarded a train shortly after holding a press conference where he had made a number of announcements.

Russ Take Town

LONDON (Reuter)—Premier Stalin in a broadcast order of the day tonight announced Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky's 2nd White Russian Army had captured Koscielnia, 31 miles southwest of Danzig, in the former Polish Corridor.

Must Kill All Japs On Two, Says Nimitz

WASHINGTON (AP)—Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz said here this afternoon he expects Japanese resistance on Iwo Jima to continue until "the last Jap is killed, wounded or captured." The admiral's presence in Washington was made known when he appeared at a news conference.

New Minister

OTTAWA (CP)—Pierre Dupuy, career diplomat and recently charge d'affaires in Belgium, has been appointed Minister to the Netherlands. This was announced this afternoon by Prime Minister King.

Plate Glass Claims May Be Invalid

VANCOUVER (CP)—Plate glass losers in Tuesday's ship blast here may find themselves without indemnity if they do not carry war risk coverage under the Dominion war risk insurance scheme, John Noble, manager of the B.C. Underwriters' Association, said today.

'No Extension Of Commons'—King

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King said this afternoon he did not propose to ask for an extension of the life of the present Parliament and said he would oppose any suggestion for such extension.

Nanaimo Man Missing Since Blast

NANAIMO (CP)—Joseph Anthony Brooks, 51, former Vancouver Island logger, is one of the missing victims of the Greenhill Park blast in Vancouver Tuesday. His wife lives in Nanaimo with her three daughters.

2 Workers Trapped

HAMILTON, Ont. (CP)—Two employees are unaccounted for and believed trapped in the debris of the Canadian Aniline Dye Company plant here after a series of explosions set fire to the building today officials of the plant said.

C.M.A. Denies Hart Made Promise

VANCOUVER (CP)—R.O. Campney, of Vancouver, chairman of the Industrial Relations Committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, today said Premier John Hart had not given the C.M.A. any promise as to what the government would do in connection with any legislation.

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Weather Forecast

Victoria and Vicinity—Friday: Partly cloudy with a few showers.
Wednesday's Temperatures—Min. 38; Max. 50. Sunshine: 1 hr. 24 mins. Temp. noon Thursday, 44.
Victoria has over 400 hours more sunshine a year than other coast cities, less than half the rainfall.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Yanks Cross Rhine Near Cologne

Home of Frederick the Great Taken By Canadians



The Chateau Schloss, a 15th century castle near the Reichs Forest in Germany, was captured by troops from Canada in the 1st Army's drive into Nazi-land. It was the home of Frederick the Great of Prussia. Here Maj. F. A. Robertson of Regina points out the flag of surrender on the battlements of the castle to Pte. George Flyford of Hamilton, Ont. Canadians permitted the surrender flag to fly for several days after taking the castle so that German prisoners coming down the line could observe the fall of the great.

Russians Reported 25 Miles From Berlin; Drive Timed With Blow On West Front

LONDON (CP)—Russian troops have driven to within 25 miles of Berlin's city limits, outflanking the fortress of Kuestrin and reaching Seelow on the west side of the Oder, a Transocean broadcast from the German capital said today.

Seelow is directly east of Berlin and is 12 miles west of the Oder. It is on the main railway skirting the Oder which connects Stettin and Frankfurt.

Marshal Gregory Zhukov's massive new offensive, timed with the Allied drive to the Rhine, 321 miles to the west, also has reached a point 29 miles from Berlin north-west of Kuestrin, Berlin reported.

Transocean said Seelow was reached from the Russian bridgehead at Goerlitz, between Kuestrin and Frankfurt, and said terrific fighting was taking place in the area, with many places changing hands.

To the northeast, the Germans said, the Russians have invaded the old Danzig Free State and smashed to within 19 miles of Danzig.

Zhukov, who drove to the Oder in the first phase, has been preparing his forces for the grand assault for more than a month, while Marshal Ivan Konev on the south pushed abreast to the Neisse River, and other forces brought the northern flank up to the Baltic and the lower Oder.

Stettin Threatened With Direct Attack

The latter wing also was developing a front which threatened to place Stettin, Berlin's chief port, and birthplace of Russia's Catherine the Great, under attack from the south, east and north.

The Germans said the Russians had used boats to cross Madue Lake, and were only 11 or 12 miles south of Stettin.

The Russians Wednesday night announced advances to places within 13 miles northeast of Stettin.

Farther north they had pushed even closer. After capturing Stepenitz, Gollnow and Massow, they reached the narrow canalized section of the Oder linking Dammescher Lake and Stettin Bay.

Moscow dispatches said the remnants of half a dozen German divisions were cornered in by-passed Kolberg on the Baltic. Berlin said the Russians had broken into the city.

Moscow had no news of

3 Children Perish In Ontario Fire

TORONTO (CP)—Three children were burned to death today in suburban Scarboro Township, it was learned this afternoon. Details were not available immediately.

1 Dead, 4 Injured In Baltimore Blast

BALTIMORE (AP)—One man was killed, one missing and four were injured today in a boiler-room explosion which sank the ship Benjamin R. Milan at a Locust Point repair dock.

Police identified the dead man as William Youngman, 49, of Baltimore, a pipefitter. The missing man was John Hoffland, first engineer of the vessel.

Under him, Maj. Gen. Remer, who the Germans said frustrated a plot to seize Berlin during the plot against Hitler last July, commands the Kuestrin garrison, the Germans announced.

A dispatch late Wednesday night from Moscow said "many signs pointed tonight to an early launching of the all-out offensive on Berlin."

The Russians had already removed the last threat to Zhukov's northern flank by strokes that sliced up Pomerania and virtually neutralized Stettin at the mouth of the Oder.

An order of the day by Premier Marshal Stalin announced Zhukov's troops Wednesday had clinched control of the outer port area with the capture of Stepenitz, Gollnow and Massow, within a radius of less than 20 miles east and northeast of Stettin.

Revenue Minister Goes to Air Post

OTTAWA (CP)—Appointment of Revenue Minister Gibson as air minister was announced this afternoon by Prime Minister King.

Mr. Gibson, who has been acting air minister for several months, relinquishes the revenue portfolio. Trades Minister MacKinnon will serve as acting revenue minister.

Mr. King also announced the appointment of Douglas Abbott, Parliamentary Secretary to Finance Minister Illey, as Parliamentary Assistant to Defence Minister McNaughton.

Cologne Shows Hitler Commits Reich to Suicide

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER
COLOGNE (AP)—After taking inventory of what remains of Cologne and other lesser German cities captured by the Allies, the conclusion is inescapable that Hitler has committed the Reich to national suicide.

I have just completed my first detailed tour of Cologne's downtown section. It was a sorry sight on this bleak, cold day.

Cologne's Wall Street, the Unter-Sachsenhausen, exists no more. The proud structures of the Reichsbank, Dresdener Bank, Diskonto Gesellschaft and other financial institutions are burned out shells. The main post office directly opposite these banks, is in far worse condition than the post office in ruined Aachen.

The telephone exchange is a wreck.

NOT USABLE

The large modern insurance company buildings have taken terrific beatings from the air. None can be used without complete overhauling.

Large quantities of dynamite were found within the structures. A woman who emerged from a nearby basement explained bitterly:

"The Gestapo swine intended to blow up all those buildings. What did they care that many of us had been living in the cellars? When the American soldiers came they ran away and never paused to blow the buildings up."

The cathedral itself is still standing, but there is no denying it suffered some damage. There are big holes next to the north and south portals of the imposing west facade, though the main portal itself is practically intact.

War or no war, however, mass has been said daily in the cathedral by the remaining priests.

U.S. Casualties 823,632

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States army and navy combat casualties since the country entered the war reached a total of 823,632, the two services disclosed today.

Secretary of War Stimson reported army casualties of 732,922 through Feb. 28. The latest navy casualty figure is 90,710.

The overall total represents an increase of 10,600 over last week's figure. The army accounted for all except 373 of the rise.

Named to Replace Pearkes As G.O.C., Pacific Command



MAJ. GEN. F. F. WORTHINGTON

OTTAWA (CP)—Maj. Gen. F. F. Worthington, 54, commander at Camp Borden and former commander of an armored division overseas, has been appointed Pacific coast commander, succeeding Maj. Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., Defence Minister McNaughton announced today.

The announcement did not indicate who would succeed Gen. Worthington at the big Ontario military camp.

Since Gen. Pearkes quit the post Brig. D. R. Sargent of Nanaimo, formerly of Victoria, has been temporarily heading the Pacific Command.

Gen. Pearkes was closely linked with the draft question and made no attempt to hide the fact he thought the draftee soldiers in his area should go active.

"Fighting Frank" Worthington, a native of Barrie, Ont., and veteran of 30 years' soldiering, is a short, compact man who has been called the father of Canadian tank warfare.

Pearkes Retires

VANCOUVER (CP)—Maj. Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., former general officer commanding-in-chief, Pacific Command, is retiring from the Canadian Army, Pacific Command officials announced today.

He is now on six months' retirement leave from the Pacific Command. Officials said notice of his retirement is expected shortly from Defence Minister McNaughton.

Gen. Pearkes left today for Victoria on holiday.

Secure Foothold On East Bank Of German Barrier

PARIS (AP)—The U.S. 1st Army crossed the Rhine south of Cologne Wednesday night and secured a firm footing today on the east bank of the great German barrier stream.

Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges poured more and more infantrymen across the river after his sudden and sensational crossing in darkness. The exact location of the bridgehead over the quarter-mile-wide river was shrouded by military censorship because the Germans obviously did not know the exact situation. (Reuters said, however the crossing had been made at Remagen, nearly half way between Cologne and Bonn).

The crossing started at 4.30 p.m. Wednesday. In the hours since then, a steady stream of men and material has been pouring to the eastern bank and moving forward in a drive to get the bridgehead out of range of enemy artillery.

(Cologne is in about the same latitude as Newfoundland, and the days at this season are extremely short.)

During the first 24 hours, there was little artillery or mortar fire on the beachhead, indicating the enemy was in confusion when he fled back across the river from the ashes of Cologne before Hodges' hard-driving divisions.

First Army infantrymen spanned the quarter-mile-wide river against rather light opposition before the startled Germans could grasp what had happened, AP correspondent Wes Gallagher said.

Security Blackout Lifted Briefly

The surprise announcement was passed by censors at 5.55 this evening after 24 hours of security blackout—used while events of great importance are shaping.

Other units of the 1st Army captured half of the Rhine university city of Bonn (101,000) and half of nearby Bad Godesberg, where Hitler six years ago humbled the late Neville Chamberlain before Munich.

The Germans said the 1st Army was within 17 miles of forming with the 3rd Army near Coblenz a trap of perhaps 50,000 Germans caught west of the Middle Rhine.

Hodges seized the opportunity of establishing a Rhine bridgehead, and with no delay threw in troops quickly. The Germans were found disorganized after the severe mauling they had taken in their rout across the Cologne area.

News of the Rhine crossing swept through the army from division to division and down through the ranks to the privates in the front lines. Correspondent Don Whitehead reported.

It brought grins to their whiskered and grimed faces and cheered everyone in the army.

"If we can hold that bridgehead it means the war is months nearer an end," said Lt. Col. Robert Evans of Davenport, Ia.

Gen. Eisenhower had six other armies standing on the west bank of the Rhine and its grey-green waters.

Crossing Hailed As Great Achievement

The crossing of the Rhine—one of the great achievements of the entire war—came just two days after the capture of the great Rhineland capital of Cologne—which was cleared of the enemy today.

Bad Godesberg is three miles up the river from Beethoven's birthplace of Bonn and is the village where Neville Chamberlain, umbrella in hand, pleaded with Hitler before Munich for "peace in our time." It is 21 miles from U.S. 3rd Army positions on the Rhine near Coblenz.

Today's German communique said the 1st Army had reached Remagen, only 17 miles from Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's watch on the Rhine. Five to six German divisions back in the Eifel Mountains might be trapped by a joining of the 1st and 3rd armies.

Drizzles soaked the whole front all day.

Meantime 1st Canadian Army forces had launched a double attack at dawn against the enemy bulge at Wesel. The 40-square-mile pocket there in which rear-

Refineries Targets For Heavy Bombers; Berlin Also Hit

LONDON (CP)—More than 1,250 R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. planes—the largest night force flung from Britain this year—Wednesday night blasted the Germans' eastern front base of Dessau, struck at vital oil refineries, and gave Berlin its 16th successive night raid.

Five Canadian heavy bombers were missing after the night's operations.

Pilots returning from the assault on Dessau—the main objective—reported the whole target area was "ablaze from end to end, with smoke rising to a height of 12,000 feet."

Dessau, 67 miles southwest of Berlin, is one of the largest industrial cities of central Germany, and is located on several railways feeding German lines on the Russian front, barely 100 miles to the east.

Other targets of heavy bombers Wednesday night included oil refineries at Harburg, across the river from Hamburg, and Heide in Schleswig-Holstein, west of Kiel. Canadian aircraft also struck Heide.

German fighters and flak were encountered at Heide, but explosions were seen and the refinery left gushing 40 columns of black smoke.

Wednesday night's raid on Berlin was carried out by R.A.F. Mosquitoes, which again dropped two-ton blockbusters on the city.

B.C. Men Moved From Captured Camps

Approximately 130 B.C. men, prisoners-of-war, have been moved from German prison camps overrun in the Russian and Eisenhower drives in the east and west, it was indicated today in information received by the B.C. government from W. A. McAdam, Agent-General in London.

Mr. McAdam has been advised by the postmaster-general in England not to forward parcels to these camps until further word is received where the men may be.

A list of 18 prison camps is given. The B.C. men are in six of these camps, which include Stalags 11B, 11A, 11C, 11D, 111A, 111C, 111D, 111E, 111F, 111G, 111H, 111I, 111J, 111K, 111L, 111M, 111N, 111O, 111P, 111Q, 111R, 111S, 111T, 111U, 111V, 111W, 111X, 111Y, 111Z, 112A, 112B, 112C, 112D, 112E, 112F, 112G, 112H, 112I, 112J, 112K, 112L, 112M, 112N, 112O, 112P, 112Q, 112R, 112S, 112T, 112U, 112V, 112W, 112X, 112Y, 112Z, 113A, 113B, 113C, 113D, 113E, 113F, 113G, 113H, 113I, 113J, 113K, 113L, 113M, 113N, 113O, 113P, 113Q, 113R, 113S, 113T, 113U, 113V, 113W, 113X, 113Y, 113Z, 114A, 114B, 114C, 114D, 114E, 114F, 114G, 114H, 114I, 114J, 114K, 114L, 114M, 114N, 114O, 114P, 114Q, 114R, 114S, 114T, 114U, 114V, 114W, 114X, 114Y, 114Z, 115A, 115B, 115C, 115D, 115E, 115F, 115G, 115H, 115I, 115J, 115K, 115L, 115M, 115N, 115O, 115P, 115Q, 115R, 115S, 115T, 115U, 115V, 115W, 115X, 115Y, 115Z, 116A, 116B, 116C, 116D, 116E, 116F, 116G, 116H, 116I, 116J, 116K, 116L, 116M, 116N, 116O, 116P, 116Q, 116R, 116S, 116T, 116U, 116V, 116W, 116X, 116Y, 116Z, 117A, 117B, 117C, 117D, 117E, 117F, 117G, 117H, 117I, 117J, 117K, 117L, 117M, 117N, 117O, 117P, 117Q, 117R, 117S, 117T, 117U, 117V, 117W, 117X, 117Y, 117Z, 118A, 118B, 118C, 118D, 118E, 118F, 118G, 118H, 118I, 118J, 118K, 118L, 118M, 118N, 118O, 118P, 118Q, 118R, 118S, 118T, 118U, 118V, 118W, 118X, 118Y, 118Z, 119A, 119B, 119C, 119D, 119E, 119F, 119G, 119H, 119I, 119J, 119K, 119L, 119M, 119N, 119O, 119P, 119Q, 119R, 119S, 119T, 119U, 119V, 119W, 119X, 119Y, 119Z, 120A, 120B, 120C, 120D, 120E, 120F, 120G, 120H, 120I, 120J, 120K, 120L, 120M, 120N, 120O, 120P, 120Q, 120R, 120S, 120T, 120U, 120V, 120W, 120X, 120Y, 120Z, 121A, 121B, 121C, 121D, 121E, 121F, 121G, 121H, 121I, 121J, 121K, 121L, 121M, 121N, 121O, 121P, 121Q, 121R, 121S, 121T, 121U, 121V, 121W, 121X, 121Y, 121Z, 122A, 122B, 122C, 122D, 122E, 122F, 122G, 122H, 122I, 122J, 122K, 122L, 122M, 122N, 122O, 122P, 122Q, 122R, 122S, 122T, 122U, 122V, 122W, 122X, 122Y, 122Z, 123A, 123B, 123C, 123D, 123E, 123F, 123G, 123H, 123I, 123J, 123K, 123L, 123M, 123N, 123O, 123P, 123Q, 123R, 123S, 123T, 123U, 123V, 123W, 123X, 123Y, 123Z, 124A, 124B, 124C, 124D, 124E, 124F, 124G, 124H, 124I, 124J, 124K, 124L, 124M, 124N, 124O, 124P, 124Q, 124R, 124S, 124T, 124U, 124V, 124W, 124X, 124Y, 124Z, 125A, 125B, 125C, 125D, 125E, 125F, 125G, 125H, 125I, 125J, 125K, 125L, 125M, 125N, 125O, 125P, 125Q, 125R, 125S, 125T, 125U, 125V, 125W, 125X, 125Y, 125Z, 126A, 126B, 126C, 126D, 126E, 126F, 126G, 126H, 126I, 126J, 126K, 126L, 126M, 126N, 126O, 126P, 126Q, 126R, 126S, 126T, 126U, 126V, 126W, 126X, 126Y, 126Z, 127A, 127B, 127C, 127D, 127E, 127F, 127G, 127H, 127I, 127J, 127K, 127L, 127M, 127N, 127O, 127P, 127Q, 127R, 127S, 127T, 127U, 127V, 127W, 127X, 127Y, 127Z, 128A, 128B, 128C, 128D, 128E, 128F, 128G, 128H, 128I, 128J, 128K, 128L, 128M, 128N, 128O, 128P, 128Q, 128R, 128S, 128T, 128U, 128V, 128W, 128X, 128Y, 128Z, 129A, 129B, 129C, 129D, 129E, 129F, 129G, 129H, 129I, 129J, 129K, 129L, 129M, 129N, 129O, 129P, 129Q, 129R, 129S, 129T, 129U, 129V, 129W, 129X, 129Y, 129Z, 130A, 130B, 130C, 130D, 130E, 130F, 130G, 130H, 130I, 130J, 130K, 130L, 130M, 130N, 130O, 130P, 130Q, 130R, 130S, 130T, 130U, 130V, 130W, 130X, 130Y, 130Z, 131A, 131B, 131C, 131D, 131E, 131F, 131G, 131H, 131I, 131J, 131K, 131L, 131M, 131N, 131O, 131P, 131Q, 131R, 131S, 131T, 131U, 131V, 131W, 131X, 131Y, 131Z, 132A, 132B, 132C, 132D, 132E, 132F, 132G, 132H, 132I, 132J, 132K, 132L, 132M, 132N, 132O, 132P, 132Q, 132R, 132S, 132T, 132U, 132V, 132W, 132X, 132Y, 132Z, 133A, 133B, 133C, 133D, 133E, 133F, 133G, 133H, 133I, 133J, 133K, 133L, 133M, 133N, 133O, 133P, 133Q, 133R, 133S, 133T, 133U, 133V, 133W, 133X, 133Y, 133Z, 134A, 134B, 134C, 134D, 134E, 134F, 134G, 134H, 134I, 134J, 134K, 134L, 134M, 134N, 134O, 134P, 134Q, 134R, 134S, 134T, 134U, 134V, 134W, 134X, 134Y, 134Z, 135A, 135B, 135C, 135D, 135E, 135F, 135G, 135H, 135I, 135J, 135K, 135L, 135M, 135N, 135O, 135P, 135Q, 135R, 135S, 135T, 135U, 135V, 135W, 135X, 135Y, 135Z, 136A, 136B, 136C, 136D, 136E, 136F, 136G, 136H, 136I, 136J, 136K, 136L, 136M, 136N, 136O, 136P, 136Q, 136R, 136S, 136T, 136U, 136V, 136W, 136X, 136Y, 136Z, 137A, 137B, 137C, 137D, 137E, 137F, 137G, 137H, 137I, 137J, 137K, 137L, 137M, 137N, 137O, 137P, 137Q, 137R, 137S, 137T, 137U, 137V, 137W, 137X, 137Y, 137Z, 138A, 138B, 138C, 138D, 138E, 138F, 138G, 138H, 138I, 138J

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Chicago	12	27	7	128	175	31
Rangers	10	26	10	137	217	30

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A real old-time dance—Scalf's original old-time orchestra, Lake Hill, every Saturday, 9 to 12. Refreshments; bring own sugar. Admission 50c.

Burrard Male Voice Choir, 44 voices, three soloists, Mr. H. G. Close, conductor, Saturday, March 10, 8 p.m., Metropolitan Church. Silver collection.

Colored Moving Pictures of Mexico, California and the Jasper Highway, to be given by Mr. Mayne Reid, K.C., of Edmonton, on Friday at 8:15, in the First United Church Hall. Assisting artist: Mrs. Iris Paver (sponsored by the Central Park W.A.). Collection.

Community Evangelistic campaign opens in the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Fernwood and Gladstone, tonight, 8 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Smith, B.D., preacher.

Friends of Maid Stone district, Saskatchewan, are having a social evening in C.C.F. Hall, Pandora, Friday, March 9, 8 p.m. Dancing, cards, basket lunch. Come and have a good time.

Georgian Choristers in Twilght Recital at First Baptist Church, Sunday, at 3.

Metropolitan W.A. presents Mrs. H. Ross Palmer, with travel pictures, at Metropolitan Church, Monday, 8 p.m. Tickets 25c.

Saanich Ratepayers, Ward 1, will meet in the C.C.F. Hall, Richmond Road, Friday, 9th, at 8 p.m., to discuss water and other business.

Victoria Symphony Concert, March 19. Box office opens March 12 at Fletcher's.

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Speed-Up Transfers, R.C.A.F. Ground Crew to Army

Waiting Period After Release From Air Force Now Abolished

OTTAWA (CP)—A speed-up in transfer arrangements, sending certain home establishment R.C.A.F. ground and administrative personnel to the army was outlined today in a joint service announcement which defined more clearly the airman exempt from military draft.

Gradual closing down of the Commonwealth Air Training plan which will end March 31 has resulted in the discharge of a total of perhaps 8,000 airmen who are available for military service.

Formerly there was a waiting period between the date the airman was discharged from the R.C.A.F. and the date he received his draft notice. Under the new procedure discharges will be "made immediately available to the army as reinforcements."

Formerly all home establishment ground and administrative personnel were available for military service. Now only certain categories will receive call-ups.

The statement was an elaboration of previous announcements made from time to time during the last 10 months when the air training plan has been rolling up behind its final graduates.

Under the speed-up transfers program, air discharges in the eligible category will be medically examined by an army medical board prior to discharge and if physically fit, they will receive a draft notice—effective as soon as R.C.A.F. release is completed.

SERVICE CREDITS
Aircraftmen and leading aircrewmen on enlistment in the R.C.A.F. in determining their initial army rate of pay. For example, men with up to four months' service will get \$1.30 a day; four to six months, \$1.40 and more than six months \$1.50. The statement specified "General Service" and there was no indication as to what would be paid the airman who elected to join the Home Defence army.

The statement added: "An arrangement has been concluded between army and air force under which airmen of non-commissioned rank, including second grade warrant officers—even though enlisted as privates—will receive pay for their rank at standard rates during retraining in the army, and for six months thereafter, with a maximum of 10 months. At the expiration of that period it is anticipated that the men, by reason of their already recognized ability, will have obtained the equivalent rank in the army."

"All gratuities and clothing allowances will be carried over and will become payable when military service has been completed. "Within 14 days of enrollment into the army, personnel may apply for leave from the army and have their cases referred to their local mobilization board in their home division for consideration. After the 14-day period has elapsed they may apply for leave under the provisions of an army routine order which covers compassionate and other special leaves. "In such cases applications for leave need not necessarily be submitted to the mobilization boards."

Discharges will be allowed to retain part of their kit. Here is the new list of categories exempt from military service:

1. All recent and future aircrew graduates of the air training plan, instructors and staff pilots, released from active service but transferred to the R.C.A.F. reserve.

2. Personnel with service overseas but transferred to the R.C.A.F. reserve.

3. Personnel with service overseas or operational service in Canada, providing such service was not terminated on the grounds of misconduct or inefficiency. Overseas service includes service in the Aleutian Islands, Greenland, Baffin Land, Iceland, Labrador, Newfoundland, Alaska, Bermuda, British West Indies, Australia and the Far East, Europe, Asia and Africa.

4. Single personnel who have reached their 38th birthday at the time of discharge.

5. Married personnel, born prior to 1913, provided they were married on or prior to July 15, 1940, and have not become widowers without children, judicially separated or divorced.

6. Personnel retired or discharged with a medical category unit for further service.

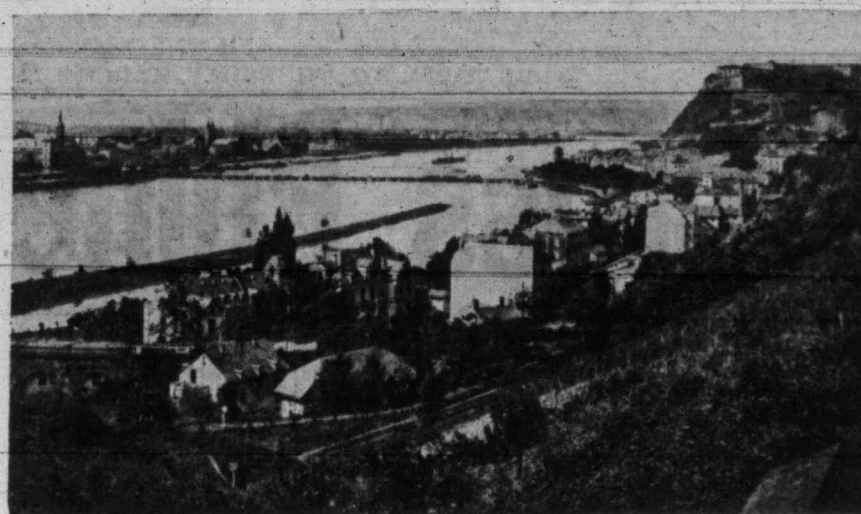
7. Personnel retired or discharged for the purpose of appointment or enlistment in another service, and who are so enlisted.

An air official said this provision covered discharges who wanted to join the navy, which, however, is recruiting only on a minor scale, and is taking only specialists or skilled trades.



JOINS SHERWIN-WILLIAMS
—D. A. Whittaker, president and general manager of the Sherwin-Williams Company of Canada, Limited, announces the appointment of Arthur H. Carter as manager of insecticide sales for the Sherwin-Williams organization.

Mr. Carter, who is well known in Canadian business circles, has a lifetime of experience in insecticide and fertilizer sales both in England and, for over 20 years, in Canada. He is past-president of the Advertising and Sales Executives Club of Montreal and resigned his position as general manager of the Klein Institute in New York to undertake his new duties immediately.



PARTLY HELD BY YANKS—Coblenz, strategic point on Germany's great water barrier the Rhine which was partly occupied by troops of the U.S. 1st Army today.

Firemen Still Battle Flames In Wrecked Ship; Still Seek Bodies

VANCOUVER (CP)—Efforts of firemen to quell fires in the holds of the 10,000-ton freighter Greenhill Park, which was shattered by explosions at noon Tuesday, continued today, while a preliminary Department of Transport inquiry—conducted in the downtown office of Capt. John C. Barbour, supervising examiner of master and mates.

Salvage officials said early today that No. 4 hold of the ship had been cleared of its cargo of lumber and pulp. Meanwhile, firemen cut a hole through the starboard side of the ship to give them more space to drive water into other sections in an effort to douse the flames.

Two bodies—charred beyond recognition—were removed from the wreckage Wednesday, and officials said search may be resumed today for another seven bodies reported to be in No. 3 hold, but that their work was severely handicapped by twisted steel and wreckage.

3 SALVAGE SHIPS

Three salvage vessels were standing by and the Vancouver City Fireboat, J. H. Carlisle, continued to send thousands of gallons of water into the ship.

The Greenhill Park was beached at Siwash rock, just outside the harbor entrance, several hours after the explosions which caused more than \$1,000,000 damage when thousands of windows were blasted out in a wide section of the downtown area.

Capt. Barbour announced Wednesday night that the preliminary hearing would begin today and at the same time, K. J. Burns, port manager, announced he would not conduct an inquiry as requested by Mayor J. W. Cornett. Instead, Mr. Burns said, he would "co-operate" with Capt. Barbour in the federal investigation.

Another inquiry into the tragedy has been ordered by Justice Minister St. Laurent. It will be conducted by Mr. Justice Sidney Smith of the B.C. Supreme Court. Dugald Donaghy, K.C., said Wednesday night, he had been asked to represent the government.

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Gardiner Predicts Voting Soon After Parliament Ends

CARBERRY, Man. (CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner said here Wednesday night that a Dominion general election would come soon after the life of the present Parliament expires April 17.

He addressed a Liberal nominating convention at which F. D. MacKenzie, the sitting member, was nominated for the federal constituency of Neepawa, where John Bracken, national leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, is expected to be a candidate.

Mr. Gardiner said the federal election could be expected soon after or just about the date of the end of the war in Europe.

He defended the wartime policy of the King government and said plans had been made whereby it would be impossible for a depression to develop in the immediate postwar years.

No one had asked Canada to participate in the war in the Pacific, the minister said, but "certainly she would make some contribution."

Victoria Ship On Greenhill Salvage

Pacific Salvage Company's salvage vessel left her dock here Wednesday with a crew of 40 men to take charge of salvage operations off Vancouver, where the smouldering hull of the Greenhill Park lies beached, near Siwash rock, following a series of explosions at noon Tuesday. In charge of Capt. A. Thomas, the 1,400-ton vessel has established a reputation for large salvage jobs on the B.C. coast in recent years. The Salvage Queen is assisted by the Salvage Princess and the tug Skookum, with scows, pumps and equipment. The operation consists of quenching the still active fire aboard the Greenhill Park, preparatory to refloating her and towing the vessel to drydock for repairs.

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Commission at Work On Saanich Salaries

Following sittings this week of the recently-established Saanich salary commission, detailed reports of its findings will soon be presented to the council, police commission, and the school board.

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Round-up

By TOM MERRIMAN

G.N.R. TED REEVE in an article in the Maple Leaf says none of the German prisoners-of-war in England seem to realize how badly they stand in the world or how much the Germans as a race are hated. Most of them want to be transferred to Canada. Some with the hope of taking up permanent residence here. Regarding the prisoners-of-war now in Canada, they ask: "Do you think they will be sent back to Germany or will they be permitted to send for their wives and take up farm land in Canada?"

ALTHOUGH A LOT of people haven't been able to get them recently, during the last 10 years there has been an increase of 500,000 telephones in Canada—42 per cent. Long distance calls total about 50,000,000 a year. It is difficult to estimate the number of local calls but the companies estimate them at 3,000,000 a day.

A. F. WALKER, who was discharged from the army six months ago and hasn't been able to get a steady job in Vancouver since, thinks there are too many policemen and firemen there doing part-time work. "How long are these men going to be allowed to do this while men who have done overseas service walk the streets looking for jobs?" he asks.

CANADIAN Military Journal published in Montreal, notes a press report, "Major Declines to Enforce Law" and a story saying that Major Gerald Biggs, commanding Provost Corps, M.D. 5, Quebec, has refused to trace deserters who have been conscripted. "He doesn't mind apprehending volunteers—but draftees—no. So he has resigned his commission. The report doesn't say what action the Department of Defence is to take in this matter. In time of war should not this officer's refusal to carry out a command become a case for a courtmartial?" says the Journal.

THE ROYAL NAVY does not brag, but 47,000 men listed as killed or missing since the commencement of hostilities, is silent tribute to the contribution made to the winning of the war, as is the destruction of the Graf Spee, the Bismarck and the Scharnhorst.

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Unusual Accident

VISCOUNT, Sask. (CP)—Lawrence Daoust was severely burned and taken to hospital in Saskatoon for treatment following a freak accident here caused by a flying match head. A member of his family was lighting a fire in the home when the head of the match broke and flew into a can containing gasoline. The burning can was taken to the door to be thrown out and at that moment Daoust walked in. The can struck him in the face.

Canadians Hurl Dawn Attacks On Nazis' Last West Rhine Bulge

By ROSS MUNRO

WITH THE 1st CANADIAN ARMY IN GERMANY (CP)—Canadian infantry today launched two dawn attacks on the enemy bulge at Wesel, containing the last important German bridgehead on the western bank of the Rhine between Cologne and the Netherlands border.

Riding armored troop-carriers—Kangaroos—one force attacked toward Xanten, seven miles west of Wesel, and high wooded ground south of the town. Xanten—centre of "Flak Alley," so nicknamed because of the number of German anti-aircraft guns being used there against Allied ground forces—was heavily shelled by Gen. Crerar's artillery.

Three miles south of Xanten, Ontario infantry again struck at Veen, registering initial progress. Perhaps 20,000 Germans were fighting fanatically in the bulge,

although the reason for resistance was not clear since the entire northern front west of the Rhine has collapsed.

Meanwhile, Canadian and British units were drawn in a semi-circle around Xanten but were under fire from scores of anti-aircraft guns around the perimeter and from high, wooded ground south of the town.

The assault on the bulge was slow because every road has been blown and cratered. This terrain consists of rolling fields with odd stretches of woods, but from this barrier the country flattens out to the Rhine and is marshy near the river.

Tanks attacked the bulge in the area of Veen, halfway between Alton and Xanten, Wednesday morning, but were driven back by heavy shelling.

(No western tank units have so far been identified in the Canadian offensive.)

Duncan Council

DUNCAN—Duncan City Council held Tuesday, accepted amended school estimates. This will mean a reduction of about \$600 to the city. Estimates for the year were considered and the mill rate will be increased 8 mills, from 41 to 49. This is largely made up by the increase in school requisitions and general city expenditure. At the request of the Advisory Council of the A.R.P., the city decided to continue their contribution for this year. Kelowna sent a resolution asking for the repatriation of all Japanese of racial origin, after the war, the council endorsed this, but substituted Japanese nationals, instead of "racial origin."

The council renewed the agreement with the doctors, whereby they give service to recipients of social assistance, mothers' allowances, and old age pensions. A resolution was passed, pro-

testing to the Nanaimo Duncan Utilities in regard to conditions which left the city without light and power for a considerable time, and which they considered was avoidable.

Mayor George Savage presided, and all members of the council were present.

Ft. Lt. Audet Missing

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. (CP)—Ft. Lt. Richard Joseph Audet, D.F.C., 22, Lethbridge fighter pilot who made air history over Osnabruck by shooting down five German planes in five minutes last Dec. 29, is reported missing and believed killed following air operations overseas March 3, according to official word received here by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Audet.

The feat won him the Distinguished Flying Cross and it was his first "bag." He quickly ran his total up to 11½.

Patton Swims River In Germany to Show Men How to Do It

BALTIMORE (AP)—How Lt. Gen. George S. Patton twice swam the 150-foot Sure River in Germany in January, under heavy machine gun and artillery fire, inspiring "thousands of troops to follow him," was told Wednesday by one of the men who did.

S. Sgt. Thomas J. Deibaugh of Cumberland, Md., one of the soldiers who followed Gen. Patton across the Sure River, said: "The Germans began firing machine guns and artillery at us as we came up to the river bank."

"Just before dawn we started going across in three-man boats. The river was very swift and cold, and had pieces of ice floating in it."

"After a while though, Gen. Patton called the boats back and ordered the men to swim across with rifles, bazookas and everything they could carry."

"To show us it could be done, and to inspire the troops, Gen. Patton jumped into the water and swam across to the opposite bank, then swam back. Thousands of troops followed him."

Tribute to Emily Carr At New York Exhibition

NEW YORK (CP)—An exhibition of Canadian and British paintings was opened at the National Arts Club here Wednesday night.

The exhibit, scheduled to run three weeks, features wartime oils and water colors.

Among speakers at the opening ceremonies Theodore Newton, Canadian representative on the United Nations Information Board, paid tribute to the work of the late Emily Carr, noted Canadian artist and writer, who died last Friday in Victoria, B.C.

"She was a woman of charm and great talent," he said.

Housing Famine In Britain Calls for Unprecedented Measures

LONDON (Reuter)—Britain is facing the greatest housing famine in her history. Solving it is a task second only to winning the war. Four million houses will be required as soon as hostilities end, while 2,500,000 are needed immediately for 10,000,000 men, women and children sharing homes with other families.

Thousands of men coming back from the war, many thousands of mothers and children still evacuated in "safe areas" will be without homes unless drastic steps are taken at once to provide this accommodation.

New houses have not been built in Britain for more than four years. Many thousands have been destroyed or badly damaged by air attacks.

Many damaged by bombs are still fit to live in, but with tarpaulin for roof and paper instead of glass in the windows. No stretch of imagination could describe them as comfortable.

Families, frantically trying to find somewhere to live, advertising in the national papers offering £30 (about \$225) or even £100 to anyone who can find them a home. Others are trying to bar-

ter homes in the country for homes in the city.

Prices of the few for sale have skyrocketed. A house which before the war cost £750 now fetches £2,000. Basing estimates on increased labor and material a postwar house will cost from 105 to 130 per cent more than in 1939.

London faces the greatest problem. Here well over 1,000,000 homes were damaged by flying bombs last summer and some 80,000 destroyed or unfit to live in.

Twenty-one thousand houses have been requisitioned for more than 150,000 people in addition to nearly 100,000 billeted, but it is not enough.

Many people bombed out more than six months ago are still sleeping in London's deep underground shelters.

Three hundred thousand prefabricated houses have been ordered from the United States. British Columbia offered 100,000 plywood homes. Prefabricated but permanent houses are coming from Sweden, where Britain is to purchase the whole export production—about 30,000 a year—and a British commission is now in Sweden arranging for their delivery.

Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE, Associated Press War Analyst

No war of history has produced such flaming drama as is now being staged on the battlefields of Europe, but one of the most impressive features of this great finale is a behind-the-scenes effect—the amazing co-ordination of the effort between the western Allies and the Russians.

Take today's news, for example: The Germans say the last stage of the Russian drive on Berlin finally has been launched in an all-out assault along a 100-mile sector east of the capital.

Now it isn't mere coincidence that this vastly important offensive should come just as Gen. Eisenhower is completing his conquest of the western Rhine-land. Eisenhower must pause at the great river barrier to get ready for the difficult and dangerous lunge across into the heart of Germany. So with beautiful timing, the Red Armies swing another haymaker at the harassed Germans, to keep them from strengthening their western front.

And by the same token it was

not mere coincidence that Eisenhower launched his offensive into the Rhineland under weather conditions which normally would preclude such an operation. He took pressure off the eastern front at a difficult moment for the Russian command.

The Russians had to neutralize the powerful enemy position at Stettin on the northern flank before attacking again in the centre, east of Berlin. They also had to improve local positions in the centre. All these things have been done while the western Allies drove through mud and water to the Rhine.

These are not by any means the only signs of intensified co-operation. You see it all the time if you know where to look for it. Today, for instance, we have a small news item saying that more than 1,250 R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. planes bombed Dessau, an important military base, just southwest of Berlin. Now Dessau is only 100 miles behind the German eastern front, and its neutralization is of more immediate importance to the Russians than to the western Allies.

So the British and Canadian bombers do a useful job for our Soviet Allies.

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OTTAWA (CP)—Canada should be represented at the forthcoming World Security Conference in San Francisco by the leaders of the several major political parties in the House of Commons, or by representatives chosen by those leaders, John Bracken, national Progressive Conservative leader, said Wednesday night in a speech over a national network of the CBC.

He said the life of Parliament will have expired before the conference opens April 25 and therefore Prime Minister King will have no mandate to represent Canada at the conference.

In a half-hour address delivered on free time provided by the CBC to allow political leaders to express their views, Mr. Bracken also said:

1. The coming of the conference and of the Eighth Victory Loan would not provide the government with sufficient reason to seek an extension of the life of Parliament beyond April 17.

2. Canada must support the idea of collective security for the maintenance of peace, and must give her proper share of military and financial support to such a world peace organization.

FOREIGN TRADE

3. In view of the Dominion's dependence on foreign trade for her prosperity, Canada must speak with a more effective voice in international councils on matters of trade, peace and understanding.

4. In her own interest, and in the interest of other nations, Canada should exert all possible influence to help create a world where trade moves with reasonable freedom.

5. No provision has yet been made for requiring a single man from the Home Defence army to share in whatever contribution Canada may make in the Japanese theatre of war.

Mr. Bracken said two facts emerged from a broadcast address Mr. King had delivered last Friday. The first was that he was afraid to face the consequences of his wartime policy by an appeal to the electors, and the second that he proposed to use his big majority in the Commons to rule the country beyond the normal life of Parliament.

MANPOWER POLICY

Turning to domestic affairs, Mr. Bracken said that "from beginning to the end the government's wartime manpower policy made impossible any approach to equality of human sacrifice in this war."

The defeat of Germany would not bring about an end to the country's manpower errors. Canada was at war with Japan, but so far no provision had yet been

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announced for sending other than volunteers.
"Can it be that this government expects the General Service army to fight the Japanese war, too?" he asked. "Have we to go through another cabinet crisis before the Home Army is required to bear even a share of whatever responsibilities the government assumes for the army's part in the Japanese war?"

Mr. Bracken outlined the program his party would carry out in the postwar period if elected to office and said the program of the C.C.F. party if carried out would bring all business into a state monopoly.

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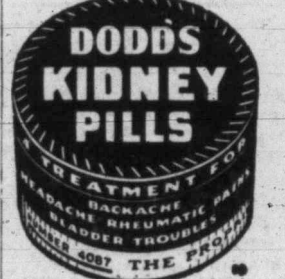
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Copies of the seamen's resolutions also have been sent to the provincial government, national headquarters of Canadian Seamen's Union and Munitions Minister Howe.

Liquor Purchases From Druggists O.K.'d

CALGARY (CP)—Purchase of liquor from a druggist authorized to sell it is quite as legitimate a method of purchasing liquor as a purchase from a government liquor store, Chief Justice Horace Harvey declared in a written judgment here today.

The Alberta Appeal Court dismissed the government's appeal from acquittal of William Makarenko on a liquor charge.

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THAT 'BIG HEAVE'

NEWS EMANATING FROM GERMAN sources today suggests that Marshal Stalin told Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt at Yalta that as soon as Allied forces obtained control of the left bank of the Rhine he would instruct Marshal Zhukov to square away for the eastern shore of the "big heave" of which the British Prime Minister spoke on his visit to the western battlefield early this week. For the moment, however, Moscow is maintaining its customary silence on what one Nazi military commentator describes as a "massive new assault along the Oder." Other reports from Berlin speak of a 24-hour artillery prelude to the climactic battle for continental Europe's greatest city. But in conformity with Moscow's invariable formula, another of those brief and typical orders-of-the-day from Marshal Stalin will not be issued until progress warrants it. This may not be long delayed.

The presence of Allied forces on the west bank of the Rhine, all the way from Holland to the neighborhood of Coblenz, must have brought considerable satisfaction to General Eisenhower and the British and American commanders under his supreme direction. Not that the Allied generalissimo will forget in a hurry the "inconvenience" which Field Marshal von Rundstedt caused him last December and for several critical days of the enemy's bold diversion. But most people will recall one memorable sentence he included in his statement of Dec. 22: "It was this:—

"By rushing out of his fixed defences the enemy may give us the chance to turn his great gamble into his worst defeat."

Seventy-six days have elapsed since General Eisenhower used that phrase. And what is 76 days in a war which already has lasted more than five and a half years? Of course the skeptics read a strong note of wishful thinking into that sentence. But Field Marshal von Rundstedt would be an optimist indeed if he interpreted his present military position in the west as anything but a defeat. And "worst defeat" is not an exaggeration because he now finds the bulk of his armies across the Rhine and the remainder under such merciless pressure as to render their escape highly problematical. Regardless of whether General Eisenhower had a time limit in his mind or not, therefore, the present state of the western battlefield must be mighty comforting to him.

What the Nazi general staff has prepared in the shape of internal defences between the Oder and Berlin, and between the Rhine and the approaches to northern and central Germany from the west, events should soon reveal. Sufficient at this stage is the fact that the joint "big heave" from the inner fringes of "Festung Deutschland" is not far off.

A PARK FOR ALL

DEVELOPMENT OF BEACON HILL Park, which should be all types of park to all types of people, is once again the subject of controversy. The Local Council of Women, comprising many organizations, is seeking to avoid expansion of recreational facilities there through construction of tennis courts, pitch and putt golf greens, shuffleboard squares and other items. Not that the Local Council of Women fails to appreciate the desirability of extra playing facilities, but that body feels Beacon Hill is not the proper place for them.

The tourist trade group of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce has suggested a general program of development as a means of extending the use of the 156 acres. The city parks committee has taken no action whatever on the matter, but will hear both sides prior to reaching decisions.

Naturally, each party in the controversy has some sensible arguments. The women's group evidently wants to maintain the setting with its old associations and historic environment of natural beauty, and objects to a course which it fears might transform the area into little more than a playground. The tourist group seeks establishment of facilities which will draw additional hundreds to the enjoyment of those recreational features.

Actually, the women's council appears unduly alarmed. Establishment of tennis courts and other play equipment would require very little space. With 156 acres included in the tract, they could be located to avoid any interference with the natural beauty of the park. The deed under which it came to the city would protect Beacon Hill from exploitation. Would it not be well for the women's council to make quite sure its arguments are in the general interest before seeking to curtail recreational developments?

NOTA BENE

A PROBLEM WHICH IS BEGINNING TO emerge from the universal destruction caused by the war, is how can reparations be made by Germany and Japan to the nations they have looted, when as the Italians might say with an expressive shrug, "Nota Bene"? How, for instance, is Germany riven into three parts, deprived of her industrial capacity to make war, with her principal cities in ruin, without shipping, and under Allied military control going to pay up? The moment she starts to work she inevi-

tably begins to build up her industrial machine. It is easy enough, despite those who discuss disarmament as a matter of decree, to turn any industrial machinery to war purposes. In addition, unless a nation trades with other nations it cannot pay reparations.

Long ago Sir Norman Angell in "The Great Illusion" proved that war could not pay—that the victors could be the losers. Germany undertook to prove, and very nearly did prove, that she could make it pay by enslaving the world. Her deliberate economy was to control that of other nations so that they would become hewers of wood and drawers of water for her. She only failed to bring it all off by a hairbreadth.

Russia quite frankly states that she wants two or three million Germans as laborers to make good the damage they have done. She may want some other millions gradually to colonize Siberia for her, where they will be able to build up homes away from home and immensely enrich Russia.

The German who remains in Germany will be able probably to produce as much as he likes of whatever he likes for domestic consumption. What he produces for export will presumably be pooled and priced under international control and exchanged for the goods he must import, if he is to pay his debts by his exports. The profit might be apportioned among those who have to receive reparations, for reinvestment in the development of natural resources elsewhere, such as Africa or South America. From such development the whole world would benefit.

THREE-PHASE AIR DRIVE

ANALYSIS OF THE PRESENT AIR strategy reveals development of the technique applied so successfully by the United Nations when they tore up French communications prior to the defeat of the Nazis in Normandy. It is carried out, though, with this difference. The air smashes in Normandy were made in summer. Those now in progress are being conducted in all types of weather.

Last night, for example, the greatest night force sent out from Britain this year hit Dessau, 67 miles southwest of Berlin and vital base for German eastern-front operations, with devastating effect, while smaller groups struck the capital and refineries at Harburg and Heide. The raid conformed to the general pattern established to aid ground forces—this time, the Russian.

The overall plan is divided into three stages: In the first phase, major, concentrated attacks by huge formations blast big railway yards and marshalling centres. Then main lines are smashed in as many places as once as possible. In the third movement, smaller forces compound chaos by attacks at low level on locomotives, bridges, signal boxes and sidings. In one day at the beginning of this month R.A.F. fighters cut lines between Germany and Holland in 75 places and, in addition, destroyed 67 locomotives, and 195 rail trucks, 138 trucks and 41 barges. At the same time, R.A.F. Tempests hit a camouflaged oil storage depot near Hanover and destroyed three trains loaded with oil, 10 storage tanks and 34 M.T. tankers.

By their action, the air forces stop Germany from sending up supplies and reinforcements and force the Nazis to withdraw without equipment which they cannot move. Adding to the enemy's difficulties are disrupted communications which deprive him of points to which otherwise he might fall back for defence.

It is a difficult task, with mazes of railways presenting scores of targets. But the results of the campaign to date emphasize the effectiveness of the work being done by the R.A.F., R.C.A.F., U.S.A.A.F. and the flying units of all other countries in the United Nations' family.

THEME WITH VARIATIONS

FACED WITH THE DIFFICULTY OF reconciling urban and rural interests within one municipality, Saanich is prone to recurring secession moves by the more sparsely-populated farming communities. At present, Wards Five and Six are particularly active. And against their moves to withdraw from the parent municipality are other districts of a similar composition which foresee dangers of becoming mere voices crying in the wilderness if the rural bloc is broken. The dissidents wish to be considered in any new municipality which may be set up to preserve a certain strength through unity.

The secessionists offer one way of overcoming a problem. They wish to withdraw from Saanich and avoid the possibilities of a taxation system which, from a population point of view, they consider more favorable to the urban localities. That may be a way out of a difficulty as it affects Saanich, but it does not solve the entire problem. Actually, the inner districts of Saanich, the whole of Ward Seven and Ward Two, as well as the southern halves of Ward One and Ward Four, can properly be classified as urban as opposed to the definitely farming communities in other areas. In a large measure their existence depends on Victoria. Many of their residents work in the city, are accustomed to and want city conveniences. Through taxation they will receive those services. And in time they should achieve a standard approximating the city.

But would not the whole issue be simplified if the Corporation of Saanich drew a line from Portage Inlet to Ten Mile Point and declared the Saanich territory south of that line part of a Greater Victoria?

NOTES

After middle age, the only new friend you can count on through all adversity is rheumatism or bronchitis.

Making marriage happy is largely a matter of remembering the words "thank you" and forgetting the word "mine."

German prisoners admit fearing the Russians. It seems the Russians are apt to treat them as they treat others.

A Happier Man

By WALTER LIPPMANN

BECAUSE President Roosevelt has come back from the Crimea a much happier man, he has come out of the personal seclusion into which he had become more and more withdrawn. Perhaps he has delivered more eloquent speeches. But not for a long time; if ever before, has he talked so easily with the Congress and the people, rather than to them, and down to them in calculated and guarded phrases. It is evident that he has been relieved of a deep anxiety about the course of events, and of worry whether he could shape them in a way which he could justify to the country with a good conscience—and with confidence that the people would understand and agree.

For many months before he went to Yalta he was a worried man, uncertain of what to do, unsure of what he could do, aware that the old line of his policy was working badly, in doubt whether he knew how and whether he dared to take a new line. So he was on the defensive, his guard always up, disposed to fence with and irritably to slap down, the Congress and the press and the public, when they showed an annoying curiosity about the very things which were troubling his own peace of mind.

THE WORRY, and the irritable self-isolation which it caused, have for the time being all but disappeared. There can be little doubt about the reason. He mustered up his courage, grasped the nettle, reversed his old negative policy of postponing decisions, and found that the difficulties were less than he had feared, the response of Marshal Stalin and the Prime Minister more forthcoming than he had dared to hope. He told Congress that he was in good health and much refreshed.

The achievements at Yalta were so massive that his old dread of talking to the people about foreign affairs has given way to the certainty that now he has a story to tell which, the more it is told, the more our people will understand and agree. There are, of course, many things which were discussed at Yalta that cannot be told while our enemies, and some of our doubtful friends, are listening. But after hearing the President and the confidential talk of his chief lieutenants, there can be little doubt that they have not come back holding any important secrets that embarrass them. They have come back in the mood of men who wish they could tell more, and that, in my experience, is a mood which public men cannot act out if they do not feel it.

AT YALTA, IT IS CLEAR, the three chiefs of state were able to agree on many difficult matters of the highest importance. The question now is, of course, how well these agreements will work and how faithfully and effectively they will be carried out. The real answer to this crucial question is to be found, I believe, by noting how many problems, conflicts and cross-currents developed in the long period which had elapsed since the three chiefs met before at Tehran. If these difficulties had been the result of irreconcilable differences among the great powers, then they would have become aggravated, not resolved and compromised, at Yalta.

This proves that, once the President had made up his mind to face these problems and to deal with them, the agreements were able to control the administration of them effectively. In other words, we shall run into trouble in so far as officials down the line do not understand the agreed purposes, or go off on a tangent of their own in a particular situation. It is easier for three chiefs of state to collaborate than for the bureaucracies of three great governments. That is how affairs got muddled in Greece until Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden put their own minds on the matter. That, too, is how we first slipped into our troubles with the French. But there the President allowed himself to become involved in the consequences instead of changing his subordinates who had muddled the matter, and setting things right.

THE MOST RECENT affair between the President and General de Gaulle shows how much depends upon the efficiency of subordinate officials. The President, it is said, was snubbed by General de Gaulle, and certainly that was unfortunate. But after every one has freely expressed his views about General de Gaulle, what remains is the more important conclusion that it is the business of the State Department and of our diplomats abroad to see to it that the President of the United States is never placed in a position where he can be snubbed.

That is the kind of thing that diplomats exist to take care of. They are not necessarily better judges than other men of how to solve the political and economic problems of mankind. But they are supposed to know how to manage contact with foreign governments in such a way that problems, difficult in themselves, are not made more difficult by incidents involving courtesy, prestige and etiquette. It is, for example, an elementary rule of diplomacy that an invitation to meet the President cannot be declined because the invitation is not issued until it is certain that it will be accepted.

WHATEVER THE INS and outs of the exchange of messages between the President and General de Gaulle, the result shows that somewhere along the line this rule was violated. I do not profess to know how, or who made the mistake. But it should have been evident to the President's advisers, as it was to many who have been to Paris and have so reported in Washington, that if France was not invited to the conference of the great powers, it would be a matter of extreme delicacy and difficulty to arrange a meeting immediately afterward. All the storm signals were up long ago, and it is a mystery how they were ignored and why sufficient precautions were not taken to avoid the incident which occurred.

Letters to the Editor

SAANICH WATER

I wish you could find a small space in your paper re Saanich water, in answer to Mr. Potthick's letter. Mr. Bruce Hutchison should be commended on taking up the question on behalf of the North Quadra residents. I myself have washed clothes in different water all over the world, and I did not find any water any harder or stickier than what we are using in North Quadra. The water and pressure we got from Sooke Lake was O.K.

GEO. WALTON.
R.R.'s, North Quadra Street.

'WHAT'S IN IT?'

Regarding the Saanich water situation: According to reports recently received by Councillor Austin, concerning samples of water sent to Vancouver, "there is no trace of oil." Then, will someone kindly explain what is the decidedly greasy film or scum on the top of the water in glasses, bowls, etc.

I have tried many ways to make it look sufficiently appetizing to drink, but have failed, and I certainly won't drink it in its present state. There can be many objectionable elements in water in addition to "harmful bacteria," especially where there are so many open sewers. Hard water, even if pure, is not good for arthritic or rheumatic subjects, of whom there are a considerable number on the coast. Hard water is impossible for household tasks, particularly washing of clothes. I have tried baking soda, borax, bleach, trisodium phosphate, but woolen garments are being ruined. It is impossible to rinse out the soap, once you can get it in. And there it is on the surface of all garments of dark color like a map, and woollens are shrinking rapidly. Where is the wartime economy in all this?

Perhaps, too, Dr. Gayton would publish the components of Saanich water so that we, who are expected to pay for it, may know what we are getting.

MARY E. ELLISON.
Merry Avenue, Lake Hill, Mar. 4.

ANOTHER WATER BY-LAW

Saanich By-law No. 654, passed by two votes in 1942, is to be rescinded and a 1945 baby brought before the electors. The 1942 measure was not proceeded with, so the reeve and councillors state, "owing to war exigencies," an absolute falsehood. What really happened was that a great rush was made to sell the 1942 debentures, but Mr. Bridgman, the inspector of municipalities, said "you shall sell no debentures until you can show me that you can produce water enough to fill your pipes," and they sent out their Moses, a water diviner, and he smote the gravel in several places but only found a dry hole.

The 1945 "baby" is somewhat like that of 1942. At the meetings, the route of the pipe was defined, and no water was to be used for irrigation purposes. I have been informed the routing has been changed for the pipeline, and certain parties may use said water for irrigation purposes. A \$16,000 well for which Saanich offers \$3,000! No word yet has been given to the voters that this offer has been accepted. Private interests also want it and they may have more influence with the government.

No statement has been made that water users must pay for their own meters. What will be the pumping expense, perhaps three men eight hour shifts a day to attend to the reservoir and it can only produce 100 gallons per hour? We residents of Brentwood would likely get a trickle of water in our pipes and \$20 a year for 20 years is too much for a trickle. Another feature is that you pay \$20 a year whether you use the water or not and an owner with a 1,000 foot frontage on the water main pays the same as the little fellow who may only have a frontage of 50 feet. This feature leaves a strong aroma of a real estate subdivision in the air. Voters take a

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LARGELY HYPOTHETICAL

I once again take up my pen to reply to the scurrilous attack on the C.C.F. contained in your editorial of March 5.

The deflection from the policy of the C.C.F., a policy arrived at by the most democratic method of delegate representation at its conventions, must be repudiated by those elected by the delegates to carry on between conventions. They would not be worthy of the trust reposed in them if they did not do so.

Honest difference of opinion is a healthy sign, but when you attempt to bring prejudice to bear (as you have on numerous occasions), you do a disservice in solving the problems which arise out of war and our system of economics. You appear to be following the tactics of Hitler: "Tell a lie big enough and often enough and people will believe it."

You must know the C.C.F. policy of world co-operation, also you know how the executive is elected. The matter of H. Herdridge was reviewed and decided by the provincial council, composed of delegates from each provincial riding, each delegate elected by the members in their particular riding.

Also, there is an appeal allowed to the next annual convention. Your criticism of C.C.F. policy is the democratic way of arriving at conclusions, but misstatements and terminological inexactitudes bring discredit on the public press.

HARRY WEBBER.
Shawnigan Lake, V.I.

Editor's Note: We cannot be

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From Father Who Lost Son

House Moved By Maitland's Plea for Enduring Peace

By LESLIE FOX

Attorney-General Maitland gave the B.C. Legislature Wednesday its most moving passage of the war when he expressed his faith, and gave his reasons why, a lasting peace must come for he spoke as a father who has lost a son in this war.

It was not the ordinary speech of a politician. It came from the heart. Mr. Maitland spoke emotionally, unrestrainedly. He is one of the province's finest orators at any time. On this occasion he was not debating a casual point. He used no high-flown language to impress. But it was oratory of the highest kind, from the soul.

You could actually feel the tenseness of his tone, as you could see the way he literally punched the rostrum in denouncing those who would, by their statements, sabotage the efforts and ideals of the United Nations' leaders striving for an enduring peace.

SCENE IN ENGLAND

Perhaps I felt it more than others who heard his address. For on Dec. 16, 1943, as a control officer in England, I said good-bye to F.O. William J. Maitland, D.F.M., just before he climbed into the high pilot's cockpit of a Lancaster. I watched the four-engine bomber roar down the runway into the gathering darkness, headed for Berlin. Bill was just starting his second tour of operations. I'd seen him go many times.

That was the night Bill didn't come back. We waited up until 5 in the morning, long after his gas supply was exhausted, hoping for some word. But none came. We never did hear anything of Bill and his crew.

OTHERS HAVE MEMORIES

There were others, too, in the House and galleries, who knew what Mr. Maitland meant when he spoke of the "strains of manhood" shining through letters home, and the hopes for a real peace in tear-stained packages of letters, tied in string, of those who would not come back.

When he offered comfort to relatives of those killed in action I thought it the most fitting tribute I have ever heard from a father to a son lost in battle, as it was to the other thousands who have died in action.

"Life at the best," he said, "is not a very long thing."

"It is not the years you put in

Labor May Ask C.C.F. To Bring Check-off Into Legislature

Falling action by the Coalition government on the labor union demand for a check-off system of dues collection, labor should approach the opposition to have them introduce the bill in the B.C. Legislature at this session, it was decided Wednesday night at a meeting of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council.

The resolution followed reports by James Robertson, representing the C.I.O. steel workers and packing house employees, and George Wilkinson, secretary of the council.

Mr. Robertson said it was in the government's power to institute the check-off legislation at this session and that the unions must press for it. He said his group, like the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, was not satisfied with the government's action on this proposed legislation.

Mr. Wilkinson reported on the delegation which Tuesday evening spoke to the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council on the labor lobby.

The local council decided they would take steps to have the legislation introduced and the vote tabulated for reference in the next election.

After hearing F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, who emphasized he was speaking as a Victoria ratepayer, not in his civic capacity, the council moved endorsement of amalgamation of Victoria and the three adjoining municipalities into a Greater Victoria unit for civic administration. Mr. Shaw had outlined the advantages of such a scheme.

SHINGLE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of Consolidated Red Cedar Shingle Association of British Columbia the following directors were elected: W. H. McAllan, J. E. McNair, H. Culter, N. English, A. Flavell, C. Frost, R. B. Horton, A. L. Hughes, W. K. McCarter, J. MacKenzie, C. Plant, F. Spencer, S. Sutton, H. V. Whittall, H. Yewdale.

At a meeting of directors following the annual meeting W. H. McAllan was elected president and J. E. McNair, vice-president. Gordon S. Raphael was re-appointed secretary-manager.

Maitland Lashes Policies of C.C.F.

Charging that their god was chaos, Attorney-General R. L. Maitland, in a point-by-point blasting of C.C.F. aims and policies, told the legislators Wednesday afternoon that never had such previous efforts to understand each other been made by nations as in the Atlantic Charter and later Allied agreements and the world today was closer together in working out a formula for peace than ever before.

Mr. Maitland was replying in the budget debate to what he called sabotaging statements of Mrs. Grace McInnis, C.C.F., Vancouver-Burrard, who questioned the steps being taken to arrive at peace. "They don't know what damage they do," he said, adding that if that speech was a lead to C.C.F. policy, the sooner that party was defeated the better it

would be for the people of the province.

GREATEST ACTIVITY SEEN

Scoring C.C.F. criticism of the government travel bureau, he asked what could that bureau do for Victoria and Vancouver now, and added that he believed the province was going to be the hub of what he thought was the greatest activity of the times.

The C.C.F., he charged, were trying to break down the faith of British Columbians in the government's postwar programs, yet such legislation as that providing for a 1,000,000-acre grant of land for veterans, as setting up of a power commission for rural electrification, as the complete public works program, and the establishing of a research council, were the very things the opposition had asked for and three C.C.F. members had approved in the rehabilitation report that they signed.

He said the calling of a Dominion-provincial conference rested with the Dominion government and the Legislature could not plan for it in advance, as the opposition had suggested it should.

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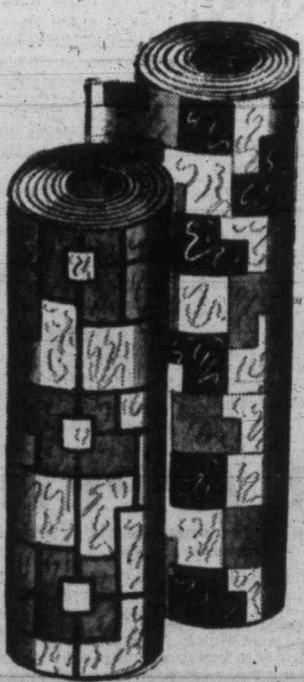
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Club Calendar

St. John's W.A., afternoon branch, business meeting, Tuesday, 2:30, schoolroom. Senior afternoon branch of Christ Church Cathedral W.A., guildroom, Monday, 2:30, Memorial Hall.

Intermediate Musical Arts Society, Saturday, 8, Victoria Truth Centre. Miss Dorothy Davies will be the guest artist.

'Y' Marriage Course

A preparation for marriage course will be sponsored by the Y.W.C.A. under the leadership of Canon Michael Coleman. The dates for this course are March 12, 19, 26 and April 4, 9 and 16. Those interested are asked to get in touch with Miss Marion Foster, program secretary, Y.W.C.A.

Metropolitan Y.P.U.—Maj. Hamilton addressed the group on "Religion in the Army." The group has been invited to attend the Anglican Young Peoples' meeting Wednesday. The regular meeting will be held Tuesday. Badminton and table tennis will be played in the First United Church gym Friday evening at 7:30.

Personals

Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick, Denison Road, has left for a skiing holiday, at Sunshine Inn, Banff.

Mrs. J. C. Nimmo has returned to her home at Langford after visiting in Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Shanahan of Vancouver will arrive in Victoria Friday to spend the weekend here.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jounon-Roche is expected from Vancouver with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Edwards and will spend the weekend at the Empress Hotel.

Miss Irene Carter, 244 Penn Street, left today for Seattle, where she will spend a week visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell H. Clausen.

Miss Ruth Draper, internationally famous mimic, who is the guest of Hon. and Mrs. E. W. Hamber at "Greencroft" while performing at Vancouver, was honored at the tea hour this afternoon by Mrs. Hamber.

Miss Dorrane Bradbury, whose marriage will take place this month, was entertained at a shower, arranged by Mrs. M. Croghan and Mrs. Miles, at the home of the former, 1133 Empress Avenue. Games were played, the winners being Mrs. G. Smith and Mrs. Burton. Other guests were Mesdames D. Bradbury, Austin, K. Behnson, K. Everidge, A. Earle, M. Hall, M. Howland, N. Hill, N. Goulding, S. Savory, L. Smith, G. West, Young and the Misses Ethel Croghan, Jean Hall, Patsy Lela and Denise Miles, Mary Stewart and Mardell Behnson.

St. Patrick's Tea

Mrs. A. Battle will convene the St. Patrick's Day tea to be held March 17, by the Victoria Senior Catholic Women's League and St. Louis' College. Assisting will be Mesdames W. Martin, W. Milligan, D. Dames, A. Humphries, B. Gillies and J. Devine. Mrs. P. C. Shaw presided and donations were voted to the National Scholarship Fund, Sisters of Service and Indian schools. Mrs. Blair Reid, W.P.T.B. convener, spoke. Mrs. E. Lemox reported several new members enrolled. Other reports were given by Mrs. Roy Kissinger, Red Cross; Mrs. A. Grant, hospitality; Mrs. Reid, housing; Mrs. C. A. Couture, education; Mrs. A. Battle, sewing. Hospital visiting was attended to by Mrs. C. Johnston and Mrs. Shaw; the latter with Mrs. W. Milligan will visit St. Joseph's during March. Mesdames Blair Reid, H. Hartnell and C. A. Couture will act as nominating committee for election of officers at the April meeting.

Musical Evening

Monday evening at 7:45 at the Victoria Truth Centre, 734 Fort Street, there will be a musical evening under the auspices of the Dorcas Society of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Mrs. J. H. Smith, leader of the society, is in charge of the evening's program. The entertainment will be varied, featuring Zoya Kenough and Erik Anderson, pianists; Olive Roberts, reader; Com. Engr. Shirley B. Eavis, Welsh baritone; Basil Dow, bird calls; a saw solo. A silver collection will be taken, the proceeds going to the work of the society.

Sister Effie Joyce presided at the meeting of Carne Rebekah Lodge No. 45. Following the meeting cards were played. The Rebekah Degree will be conferred on six candidates at the meeting, March 15.

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Honor Bride-Elect

Miss Peggy Laughlin, popular bride-elect of this month, was honored Wednesday evening when Mrs. P. A. T. Strong entertained at her home, 2044 Milton Street. Among the guests were Mesdames F. J. Laughlin, B. Page, C. Clague, P. J. Strong, G. C. Bloomfield, M. Bloomfield, R. White, R. Dwyer, I. Slack, A. Grey, W. Espley, R. Stephen, R. Kator, Westmoreland, and the Misses D. White and P. Fatt.

Orphanage Auxiliary Plans Easter Party

Miss Audrey Cridge, convener of the Valentine bridge tea held at the home of Miss Kathleen Agnew, announced at the business meeting of the junior auxiliary to the B.C. Protestant Orphanage that the amount of \$101 had been netted. A cash donation of \$5 to the auxiliary was also acknowledged.

The president, Miss Joan Cro-mack, announced the annual garden contest among the children at the Home will again be held, with Miss Elizabeth Mackie in charge of the buying of seeds and prizes for winning gardens. April 2, the children will be given an Easter party at which Warren Martin will sponsor an amateur night as the main attraction. Miss Elsie Appleyard assisted by Mrs. J. Harbord and Mrs. J. Boorman and Miss Frances Frost, will be in charge of refreshments.

It was decided to hold the annual silver tea June 23, when invitations would be sent to the friends and others interested in the Orphanage.

There are four birthdays this month. Miss Mary Wakelyn and Mrs. J. Harbord will visit the Home with gifts to the children. An amount of \$10 was voted to be used for the purchase of shoes for the auxiliary's protegee.

A special meeting will be held at the home of Miss Elizabeth Mackie, 344 Cook Street, Tuesday evening, when bibs, aprons and other articles needed by the children will be made by the members of the auxiliary.

Having spent hours in the search for a few sticks, well-to-do Parisian women gather in the courtyard where five or six pool their gl'nings to build a fire that will cook one communal dish for their families' dinner.

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Miss Baird spoke of the pamphlet "War Brings Epidemics," which contains vital information about diseases like diphtheria, whooping cough and scarlet fever. The work of the baby clinics was explained and the British wives were invited to take advantage of nursing services. They learned about vaccinations, injections and of modern methods in handling them. The care of babies, their feeding and developing good habits also were discussed.

Mrs. H. P. Kingscote, convener for overseas naval wives for the W.A. to the R.C.N., introduced Miss Baird.

Mrs. M. A. Foulds, instructor, continued her hints on cooking, making a sour milk chocolate cake, bread stuffing and roasting a chicken for the classwork. She made tasty cheese cookies for the afternoon tea.

Next week it is expected a few of the overseas wives will present their favorite recipes.

Soke W.I.
The sum of \$13.50 was realized at the last card party, it was announced at a meeting of the Sooke and North Soke Women's Institute, held at the home of Mrs. F. Brownsey. Mrs. C. Crawford presided. Arrangements are being made to hold a 500 card party March 29, with Mrs. Slack and Mrs. K. Cairns convener. Proceeds will go to ditty bags for merchant seamen. Seven of these bags have already been filled. Convener of the old-time practice dances will be: Friday, Mrs. C. Crawford and Mrs. D. De Roche; March 24, Mrs. J. Forrest and Mrs. K. Cairns. Donations of \$5 each were made to the Salvation Army and Crippled Children's Hospital in Vancouver, and \$10 to the Red Cross Drive. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. D. Lavender.

Seated at the head table were Mrs. H. S. Heisterman, president of the Victoria board of directors; Mrs. John Hart, Miss Gates, Miss McRae, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. F. A. Lindsey and Miss Margaret Wightman, general secretary of the Victoria Y.W.C.A.

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Ration Coupons
Ration coupons valid Friday are: Butter coupons Nos. 90 to 97, sugar coupons Nos. 46 to 53, and preserve coupons Nos. 33 to 40.

National Secretary Tells of Y.W.C.A. Work in England

"We over here have got to learn humility and grow big enough to match the courage of the British people, who have stood so magnificently through hardships we can never fully realize," Miss Louise Gates, general secretary of the National Council of the Y.W.C.A., told members and friends of the local Y.W.C.A. attending a luncheon Wednesday.

Miss Gates, who has just returned from England, where she organized the opening of leave centres for Canadian service women, was accompanied from Toronto by her secretary, Mrs. N. L. Campbell, and Miss Donald McRae, secretary of junior activities.

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Dick and Harry; or that you don't think there is a bit of harm in kissing. It is only that it is so common; or that your lipstick comes off; or that you are saving your kisses for the man you marry.

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Tomato Curry Vegetable

1½ tablespoons mild-flavored fat.
1-3 cup chopped onion.
½ green pepper, diced (optional).
1½ tablespoons flour.
½ teaspoon salt.
½ teaspoon curry powder.
2 cups tomato juice.
2½ cups drained canned peas (green beans, wax beans or corn may be used).

Melt fat in saucepan. Add onion and green pepper, and cook five minutes over low heat, stirring occasionally. Mix flour, salt and curry powder and stir into onions. Add tomato juice slowly and cook, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens slightly. Add

vegetable and heat thoroughly. Six servings.

Short-Cut Casserole

2 cups diced cooked potatoes.
2 cups diced cooked carrots.
¼ cup chopped onion.
1½ cups chopped cooked meat.
2 tablespoons mild-flavored fat.
2 cups tomato juice.
¼ teaspoon celery salt.
Salt and pepper to taste.

Mix ingredients together and arrange in a greased baking dish. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375 degrees F., about 30 minutes, until thoroughly heated. Six servings.—Uncooked vegetables and ground uncooked meat may be used in the above casserole and cooking time increased to one hour.

Orange Blanc Manger

4 tablespoons cornstarch.
¼ teaspoon salt.
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½ cup sugar.
½ cup cold milk.
2½ cups hot milk.
1 egg.
2 tablespoons grated orange rind.

2 oranges, cut in sections. Mix cornstarch, sugar and salt and blend with cold milk. Add slowly to hot milk in top of double boiler and stir constantly until mixture thickens. Cook 20 to 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add well beaten egg and orange rind.

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P.T.A. News

Strawberry Vale—Saturday will be opening night for the 'teen-canteen, sponsored by the P.T.A. Games and dancing will begin at 7 in Strawberry Vale Community Hall, and there will be pop, ice cream and hot dogs. Convening will be Mrs. R. Patterson, Miss E. Linsey and P. Cummings. There will be a small admission. Mrs. N. Layborn and Mrs. R. Klekl will convene the bazaar to be held March 16 in the school. The afternoon sale and tea will start at 2:15, and games and refreshments will be offered in the evening. Proceeds will aid the school funds.

Royal Oak—Final plans for the bazaar to be held March 28 in the Institute Hall were made at the last meeting. Mr. and Mrs. B. Reed reported on the meeting of the Victoria Council. Next meeting will be at the school April 9 at 8.

Margaret Jenkins—Monday at 8 Mrs. A. I. Spurgin will speak on "Mental Hygiene" in the school auditorium. Miss Marion Ingila will give vocal solos.

James Bay—Miss Sophie Gaska, dressed in her native Krokow costume from Poland, told members about her native land. The speaker was introduced by Miss M. Croft. Mrs. A. McKiernon presided at the business session and announced the election of officers scheduled for May. A free dance and social evening will be given grades six to eight April 13. Sum of \$10 was voted to the Arena Fund. Attendance cup was won by A. A. Campbell's room.

Oaklands—Miss Marjorie Baird, V.O.N., addressed the last meeting on "Getting Ready to Go to School." Mrs. S. Anfield presided. Freeman King spoke on the Boy Scout movement. A donation of \$3 was made to the district council; \$5 voted towards the Founders' Day Fund, and \$25 to the Arena Fund. A \$100 bond will be purchased to buy postwar equipment for the school. The St. Patrick's tea will be held in the school auditorium March 16 at 2:30. General convener is Mrs. Anfield; guest table, Mrs. R. H. McKinnis; social convener, Mrs. L. A. Gordon; white elephant, Mrs. G. O. Hughes; novelties, Mrs. T. J. Inkpen; home cooking, Mrs. C. Dogan; plants, Mrs. C. Tanner; contest, Mrs. M. Crossman; tea tickets, Mrs. Payte. A short musical program will be presented by school children.

Y.P. Societies

St. John's A.Y.P.A.—Last meeting was highlighted by an educational tour of the Northwestern Creamery. Twenty-seven members were conducted through the plant by Mr. Trimble. Next Tuesday, Canon Stocken will give a missionary talk on the Black Feet Indians in the auditorium of St. John's Church. Members of His Majesty's forces are invited to a sing-song and social evening Sundays after evening service.

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Lieut. John Wilkes Hewitt, R.C.N.V.R., who joined the Canadian navy in August, 1941, graduated recently from a navigation course in the east. He is credited with 18 months seetime aboard three Canadian warships. His wife resides at 1216 Rockland Avenue.



Cmdr. E. S. McGowan, R.C.N. V.R., who was recently appointed to that rank and named executive officer, H.M.C.S. Avalon. Cmdr. McGowan came out to the west coast to take command of a minesweeper and before that was commander of the dockyard at Halifax. He recently left here to take up his new appointment in the east. His wife resides at 1009 St. David Street, Oak Bay.



Lieut. Charles Oliver Smythies, R.C.N.V.R., Victoria, graduated recently from a navigation course at an eastern Canadian port. A student at U.B.C., he joined the navy in March, 1942, and has a year's seetime to his credit. Lieut. Smythies is a nephew of Lt.-Cmdr. and Mrs. R. E. Smythies, 199 Denison Road. A brother, Dudley, recently returned to Canada from overseas service and is at present taking a command course at an eastern Canadian port.

Missing Overseas



PO. Harold L. Ball, R.C.A.F., young Victoria airman, just recently commissioned, has been listed as missing following air operations overseas according to word received last week by his mother, Mrs. A. Ball, 532 Cecilia Road. Born in Saskatchewan, he attended Regina Schools and Victoria High School and before enlistment in July, 1942, was employed in a civilian capacity with Western Air Command. He left for overseas a year and a half ago and has been on operations since last November, piloting a Halifax.

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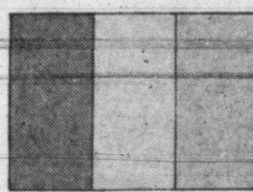
Word received by Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Elliot, Ganges Harbor, stated that their son, George Arthur Litchfield Elliot, has been promoted to the rank of wing commander in the R.A.F. Born on Salt Spring Island, Wing Cmdr. Litchfield, D.F.C., attended school there and went to England in 1935 to join the R.A.F. He married in England in 1941 and is now stationed in Scotland. He was mentioned in dispatches last year.

Native of Victoria and son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Hemmingsen, 2706 Cedar Hill Road, Capt. Robert M. Hemmingsen has received promotion to his present rank while serving in Holland, attached to a British regiment, the Seaforth Highlanders. Educated at Victoria High School and Victoria College, he enlisted in 1939 and graduated from Gordon Head C.O.T.C. in 1941. He left for England in the spring of 1944 and since September last year has been in action with his unit.

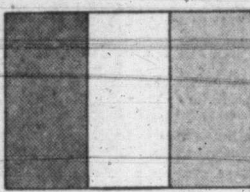
Pte. J. Schattenkirk, brother of Charles Schattenkirk, 1410 Hillside Avenue, has been 'freed' by the advancing Russian drive on the eastern front and is now at a repatriation camp at Odessa, according to word received here by his brother. A prisoner of war since the Dieppe raid, in which he served with an artillery unit, Pte. Schattenkirk, 40, was born and educated at Kamloops, enlisted and went overseas with a Saskatchewan unit. His brother, Charles, came to Victoria in 1940.

Flt. Lt. Carl Ovcharick, R.C.A.F., is reported missing following air operations overseas early in March. Son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Ovcharick, he has completed 30 sorties. He was well known in local lacrosse circles, having played with the Alert Service team, and was awarded the "most gentlemanly player" trophy by the Greater Victoria Box Lacrosse Association in 1941.

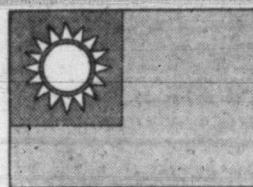
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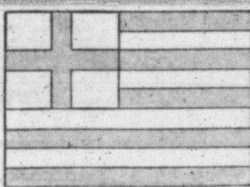
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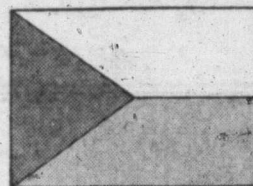
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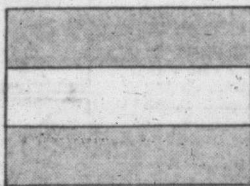
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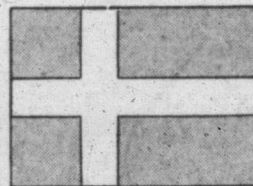
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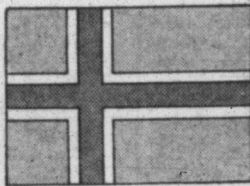
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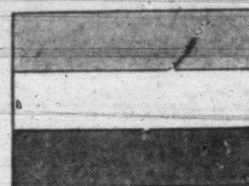
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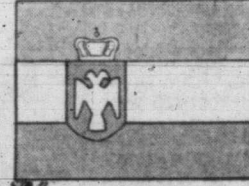
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By LESLIE FOX



The budget debate in the Legislature reached its dying hours Wednesday night, but plans to finish it went awry and Agriculture Minister K. C. MacDonald is left with the floor to himself today to administer the coup de grace. The House was weary yesterday after four long weeks of formal discussion, but the final day produced some of the best oratory, the sharpest personal clashes, the most humor, and added some solid contributions to the work of the session.

Attorney-General Maitland began it with an impassioned appeal for faith in the intent and purpose of the United Nations' leaders in their plans for an enduring peace after the war. He called it heartbreaking and terribly disappointing that some members of the Opposition should even suggest that nothing is being done to prevent future wars, when actually the greatest effort in all history is now in progress. He was emotional, almost melodramatic at times, as he detailed the Big Three and Big Two conferences from the Atlantic Charter to Yalta, quoted their principles

and their aims, and described the brutalities and bestialities of war which they are trying to end for all time.

NO COUNTRY SAFE FROM FUTURE ATTACK

Yes, said Mr. Maitland, he firmly believes something concrete will come out of it all. For never in history have all the nations of the world got together with the same idea. Every thinker realizes isolationism is finished. He conceded that all peace treaties have been designed to end war. But today, because of speedy communications, because no country can be safe from instant attack in any new conflict, he believes there is hope to end war for all time such as there has never been before.

He conceded it is only a chart for peace as yet. But he said, what a glorious chart. A chart that brings to the world more than all the history books have ever promised—that there shall be lasting peace for mankind down through the ages.

At other points in his speech Mr. Maitland continued his at-

tack on the C.C.F. He welcomed C.C.F. leader Harold Winch back after his absence. Besides his personal pleasure that Mr. Winch had recovered, he found his presence necessary, he added with a grin, to keep his followers properly under control.

SURELY NOT GETTING US TO LOVE EACH OTHER

But he flayed him for his intimation he would break the E. & N. land contract to get more taxes, as he went after Colin Cameron of Comox for asserting the C.C.F. would feel at liberty to repudiate any contracts not in the public interest. And he found Herbert Gargrave's quotations about past Liberal and Conservative statements a childish effort to break up the Coalition. Why, said Mr. Gargrave blandly, 'I wouldn't do that.' Then what were you trying to do, get us to make love to each other? asked the Attorney-General.

As an indication what the government's attitude may be when a Dominion-provincial conference is held, he quoted, in the lawyer's manner, from the judgment of Lord Watson of the Privy Council in 1891 to the effect the B.N.A. Act was not intended to weld the provinces into one, nor subordinate them to a central authority, but to allow for provincial autonomy within their sphere.

R. H. "Bob" Carson of Kamloops came next, and had a lot to say of the fine ranchers and lack of roads up in his riding. He agrees that the Coalition government is good, but figures Duff Pattullo's government laid the foundation for it. And he is all against surrendering financial control to Ottawa. In other words we gave up our income tax and other revenues for the duration, but we want them back afterwards. Mr. Carson kept his speech all on the home ground.

WE ARGUE AGAIN HOW WAR STARTED

C. Grant MacNeill, the booming-voiced C.C.F.er from Vancouver-Burrard, soon had the debate back in the international field. He told the Attorney-General the C.C.F. had never attacked the formation of a united front for peace. But, interrupted Mr. Maitland, "you've never cheered Churchill." Oh, yes, said Mr. MacNeill, he respected Mr. Churchill's leadership. But Mr. MacNeill fought in the last war. He can't see lasting peace established by pious declarations. Peace, he said, is something more than the absence of war. Peace is a dynamic thing. It requires a positive attitude toward economic and social security for all, something the capitalists haven't got.

Then there was an argument how the war started. To Mr. MacNeill it began in the forces of unrest long before 1939, not just in a gang of men in Berlin and Tokyo. I thought Germany and Japan started it, quietly interposed Mr. Maitland. Well, said Mr. MacNeill, he wasn't going to get into a discussion on that point, but he insisted the principles of Nazism must be fought wherever they bobbed up and in whatever country.

In a minute he was saying the freedom we fight for must be freedom for all, and Alex Paton of Point Grey asked if that means Japs, too. They were off in a hot cross-fire, with someone finally shouting "shut up," the Speaker's bell tinkling and Mr. MacNeill, with the floor to himself again, suggesting Mr. Paton's interruption was incoherent and to him "gobbledook."

VETERANS THEMSELVES FORCED BEST MEASURES

Then Mr. MacNeill began on Public Works Minister Anscomb's "tattered remnants of Bourbonism" and the "political paralysis" of the government, and he finished up by getting just plain mad at Mr. Anscomb who told him the other day he didn't know what he was talking about. That, said Mr. MacNeill, is an unparalleled thing to say, not even common courtesy.

He finished with a sincere plea for the jobs that will put our returned men on their feet. The government's plans look nice, he said, but his own experience after the last war was that every good feature of rehabilitation came from pressure of the veterans themselves.

After this, rather heavy fare, the titbit of the day came at the evening session.

The halls echoed to the skirl of pipes playing "Cock o' the North," as R. C. MacDonald of Dewdney, in full Highland regalia, marched triumphantly into the House to defend the honor of the Scots.

With his forensic claymore heaving right and left, he undertook to answer Mrs. Laura Jamieson of the C.C.F., who, on Monday suggested Japanese could be assimilated in Canada, even as Scots and Irish had been, though some of these still wore their outlandish dress and played outlandish music.

MR. MACDONALD BEGINS AS PIPE MUSIC FADES

This Mr. MacDonald took to be a slur on his race. And no Scotsman is going to stand still under that. So he donned the MacDonald tartan kilt, the same as his forebears wore in the High-

lands, and made his dramatic entrance. In the hall Piper Nancy Chalmers played the pipes, and attendants could be seen dancing to the tune.

As the last notes of the pipes died away Mr. MacDonald began. He doffed, first, his black tam o' shanter, and then informed the House that if Mrs. Jamieson doesn't like the Scots she will find the feeling mutual. She



R. C. MACDONALD... a Highlander is insulted.

doesn't have to make uncalled-for insults on Canadians who like to remember the deeds of their forefathers, he said.

Wasn't it the Scots who marched bravely west for the Hudson's Bay Company? he asked. Was Sir John A. MacDonald less of a Canadian because he came from Scotland. Was Sir James Douglas? So she thought the kilt outlandish. He would have her know the Scots are proud of their national dress. No, he said, I cannot understand her attitude. Unless, he said, gazing slowly at the ceiling, she has been disappointed sometime, or has no hopes for the future. Mrs. Jamieson's absence from the House on other business spoiled the effect of this a bit.

So the pipes are outlandish, too. He would have her know the pipes are the only official music allowed into the front line trenches. There are many Canadians who are proud to wear the kilt and follow the pipes to protect the Dominion and all the Commonwealths, he said, as he described the battle records of the Canadian Scottish of Victoria, and the Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver. As for the haggis, well, that is every man to his own taste. And he knew some male members of the C.C.F. who are not of her opinion about the Scots' national drink.

And so, amidst more thunderous roars on the Coalition benches, and the C.C.F. joining in the sport, Mr. MacDonald sat down, the Scots vindicated.

The House went on with legislation before adjournment, and cleared the order paper of a mass of minor bills.

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By AUDREY ST. D. JOHNSON
James Melton, star of the Metropolitan, stage, screen and radio, may have expected to find Victoria in the grip of sub-zero weather, but an unusually warm reception was accorded him Wednesday night in his recital at the Royal Victoria Theatre. Obviously delighted, he responded with 12 encores, and, in thanking his audience, remarked that "he had never had a happier experience on the stage."

The beautiful, powerful and resonant voice is known to hundreds of thousands via radio and recordings as one of the finest vocal instruments of the day. But only television could do justice to the whole of Mr. Melton's artistry and charm of presentation. No artist of the present time has greater personal magnetism. The joie de vivre which is apparent from the moment when he almost bounds onto the stage, is highly infectious and stimulating to his listeners. He has a magnificent vocal organ, he has taste, sympathy and humor and he sings with joy. All of which gave life and sparkle to an endless nuance of mood and atmosphere to the broadly versatile program he had chosen.

INTO HIS ARMS

The first group, in Italian, was notable for the gay, spirited "Danza, Danza" (Durante), so pleasingly contrasted with the reverent Handel "Largo" which preceded it, and the highly florid "Il Mio Tesoro" from Mozart's "Don Giovanni." These left his audience breathless and eager for what was to follow. The clever, colorful setting of Belloc's poem "Miranda" (Hagerman) brought forth, richness and

clarity of tone and a mood of bitter-sweet nostalgia. With the humorous, lively "Mexican Serenade," Mr. Melton swept his audience entirely off its feet and, metaphorically, into his arms. The singing of the "Fantasies" aria from "Lakme" was followed by additional numbers: "Reconquida Armonia" from "La Tosca" and, with lovely, unexcelled lyricism of tone and tender passion, the aria "M'Appari" from "Martha." Incomparably clear diction and twinkling humor brought a wave of laughter mingled with the applause that greeted "An Explanation" (Coleridge-Taylor).

"WITNESS" A HIGHLIGHT

His tender, stirring singing of "Loch Lomond" and the gentle melancholy of the unusual North Carolina mountain song, "He's Gone Away," with the wonderful pianissimo, brought a heartfelt response. The real highlight of this folksong group came, however, with the singing of the Negro spiritual, "Witness." To the rich timbre of his voice, so well suited to the broad melodic line of the spirituals, was added a perfection of interpretation, essential nobility, simple directness and flashes of rare humor.

Declaring it to be a classic of its kind, Mr. Melton included among his encores, "The Surry With the Fringe on Top." Particularly happy with his "drop of the Irish" were "The Dear Little Girl" and "Kitty, My Love Will You Marry Me." Robert Hufstader gave splendid support at the piano and, in a solo group displayed powerful technique and versatility. He played the Brahms "Capriccio No. 3," the Bach Chorale, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," and Chopin's Etude No. 12 (Revolutionary). He gave two encores

come tax, succession duties and corporation tax in 1943, Mr. Carson said, and he thought they should feel proud that they had been able to make so great a contribution to Canada's war effort.

He pointed out that had this money been paid into the provincial treasury it would have enabled the minister of finance to pay off the entire provincial debt. Even so, he declared, the province is in a very healthy financial position.

With the cessation of hostilities, he declared that he was unalterably opposed to any surrender of financial control to a centralized government on the part of the province.

C. M. Parrott was chairman.

No Power to Enforce Federal Agreements

Amid a flurry of bill-passing in the Legislature Wednesday night, Attorney-General R. L. Maitland admitted, in answer to questions, Mrs. Dolly Steeves, C.C.F., of Vancouver, it would be very difficult in wartime to enforce agreements made by cities and municipalities with Wartime Housing Ltd.

Mr. Maitland said in his dealings with Wartime Housing he had found officials autocratic.

The discussion arose in dealing with the Vancouver Enabling Act amendment, sponsored by Mr. Maitland, who said the annual bill was necessary to ratify agreements of Vancouver with Wartime Housing.

Mrs. Steeves charged Wartime Housing had disregarded promises in connection with special arrangements in place of taxes, since crown property could not be taxed. North Vancouver, she could not be collected from crown property. North Vancouver, she said, was paid \$22 to \$30 per house instead of \$60 to \$80 taxes paid on similar properties by citizens. This consideration was made, she said, since Wartime Housing had agreed to make streets and sidewalks and do other things.

The bill, along with 11 others, passed through third reading.

Four bills, along with one providing for appointment of a special business manager at Esquimalt Mental Hospital, were given second reading without debate except for a bill to extend the Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children Act. Colin Cameron, C.C.F., Comox, asked whether the bill included children of merchant seamen. Education Minister H. G. T. Perry agreed to check the matter.

Extension of P.G.E. Favored By M.L.A.

The time has come, R. H. Carson, Liberal Coalition M.L.A. for Kamloops, told the Victoria Liberal Association at a meeting in Liberal headquarters on Broughton Street, Wednesday evening, for the provincial government to see that the P.G.E. Railway extends from Vancouver to the Peace River country.

He told his listeners of the great potential wealth in the northern portion of B.C., and how the cattle and stockmen had suffered losses from the nonexistence of railway facilities in that area. They intend to lay their case before the government, he said, and he hoped that the government would see its way fit to providing the transportation, as the U.S. government is also anxious to provide transportation to Alaska.

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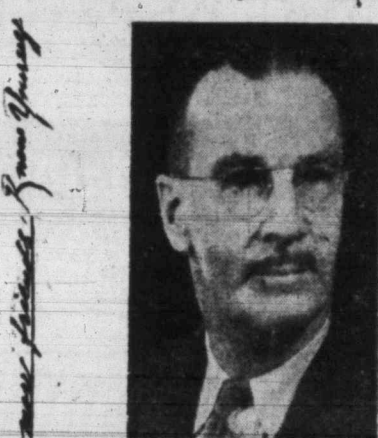
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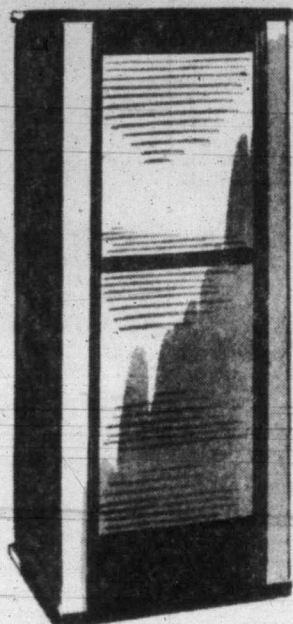
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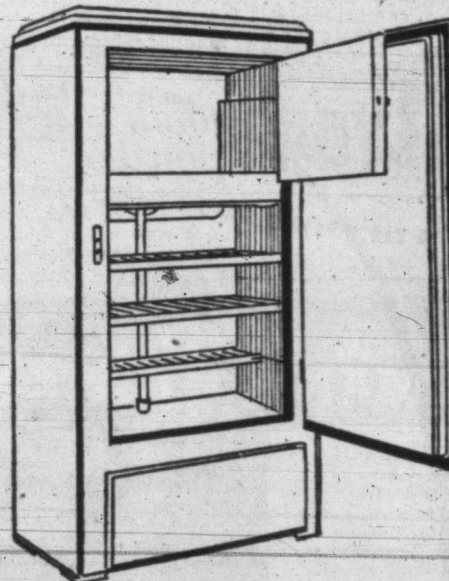
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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

VANCOUVER sport is going all out 100 per cent in support of the campaign to raise \$50,000 for the Prisoners of War parcels fund. Tuesday I attended a luncheon as the guest of Jack Pattison, popular mainland sportsman who is acting as chairman of the fund and he was enthusiastic over the manner in which the various sports organizations in his home town have rallied to the cause. "Every dollar raised from the campaign will be turned over to the Red Cross for the purchase of parcels," he said. "It is necessary to give the money to the Red Cross as it is the only organization granted the right to send the parcels of food, etc. The entire prize list has been donated and all the advertising, newspaper and placards et al, has been given free while several prominent Vancouver citizens are giving of their time to look after the hundred and one details associated with such a promotion."

THE P.O.W. committee has been assured by Vancouver's golfing fraternity they will dispose of \$15,000 worth of tickets, while the bowlers of the mainland city claim they will surpass or equal that sum. The exhibition hockey series between Currie Army of Calgary and an all-star service club from Pacific Command is expected to net close to \$10,000. Sport is backing the plan in grand fashion in Vancouver and it is to be hoped sports leaders in this city will get behind the local committee and give all the help necessary to raise the Victoria objective of \$10,000.

CHATTING to Carl Robertson, sports editor of the Vancouver News Herald, who was in town in connection with the local P.O.W. campaign, he informed me that work is already going ahead to repair Vancouver's ball park, badly gutted by fire last week. "Bob Brown has assured the baseballers the park will be ready for play this summer with temporary stands erected," Robertson said. I also learned that Frank Doffen, who promoted the recent exhibition hockey game between coast clubs and the Edmonton Canadians, crack prairie junior club, cleared around \$2,000 on the venture. "The net was \$3,000 and he got within \$200 of it the first night," Robertson attended the recent Pacific Northwest Golden Gloves tournament in Seattle and reported the two-night show was a great success. "They packed in 15,000 people, one of the biggest attendances in the history of the event." While in Seattle Robertson had a talk to Robert Abel, president of the Western International Baseball League, as to the possibility of the loop resuming operations this season. "Abel told me he had received letters from nearly every one of the Coast League clubs asking him not to attempt to resume play this summer. As you know the W.I.L. clubs would have to depend largely on the P.C.L. clubs for players and with that source of material closed off it would be suicide for the minor circuit to attempt to operate."

FATHER TIME will look the other way this season while major league clubs call on the old guard to fill out rosters. Take the Philadelphia Phils, for instance. They will bank heavily on three men who would otherwise be swinging gently on front porch rockers. First there is Mervyn Shea, catcher, flirting with his 45th birthday. Not since 1934 has he caught as many as 50 games in one season. Chuck Klein has been persuaded to return to the outfield for regular duty. He is 39 and hasn't played a steady role since 1940. Jimmy Fox, 37, and a bit bulky about his middle, will figure in the line-up as first baseman, third baseman or catcher. And if things get no better the Phils may also call on manager Freddie Fitzsimmons, 43, and general manager Herb Pennock, 50, both mighty good pitchers in their younger days.

Local Hockey Team Leaves for Vernon

Scheduled to battle Vernon in the semifinals of the British Columbia championship playoff, Victoria's juvenile hockey team will leave for the interior tomorrow afternoon. Holders of the coast title as a result of a triumph over Nanaimo and the default of the Vancouver winners, the Victoria boys are determined to make a good showing against the Vernon club.

Winner of the series will go

into the provincial final against the victor in the Trail-Nelson playoff.

The party of 15 players will be in charge of Eddie Kelpin, Doug Fletcher and Ivan Temple.

Players are asked to meet at the C.P.R. ticket office tomorrow afternoon at 12.15.

WINNIPEG HOCKEY
WINNIPEG (CP) — Winnipeg Monarchs moved into a two-game lead in the Manitoba junior hockey playoffs Wednesday night by defeating Winnipeg Esquires Red Wings 6 to 4. Monarchs won the opener 8 to 3, and the third of the best-of-seven series will be played Friday night.

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N.H.L. All-Star Teams

Canadiens Dominate

By FRED KERNER

TORONTO (CP) — Hockey writers in the National Hockey League cities are making selections for the Canadian Press all-star hockey team but two all-star N.H.L. selections have already been put into print. One is a consensus by The Sporting News, the other a team picked by Frankie Boucher, New York Rangers' coach, and printed in the New York World-Telegram.

Sporting News' selection was compiled by Lloyd (Montreal Star) McGowan and lists five Canadiens on the first team, as well as naming the Canucks' coach Dick Irvin to mastermind the aggregation. The News' selectors put Bill Durnan in goal, Butch Bouchard and Detroit's Flash Hollett on the defence, with Elmer Lach, Toe Blake and Maurice Richard up front.

Second team is coached by Detroit's Jack Adams and has Toronto's Frank McCool in the circle, Earl (St) Seibert, Detroit, and Babe Pratt, Toronto, are behind the blue line while Boston Bill Cowley, Bill Mosienko, fleet Chicago wing, and Sweeney Schriner of Toronto, are the front-line trio.

The Boucher-picked team lines up like this: Durnan, Bouchard and Hollett, Richard, Blake and Cowley. His substitute squad has Harry (Detroit) Lumley in the cage, Dit (Boston) Clapper and Babe Pratt on the rearguard, and the forward line made up of

Lach, Mosienko and Syd (Detroit) Howe.

A SAD LOSS

Frank Lukeman, who captained the Canadian Olympic team at the Stockholm Olympics in 1912, is threatened with the loss of a foot as result of gangrene. The one-time star was stricken with diabetes some weeks ago and gangrene set into one foot. Doctors at St. Mary's Hospital in Montreal fear an amputation is necessary.

A giant of a man in his athletic hey-day, Frank was a sprinter, broad jumper and hurdler.

Though he weighed about 175 pounds he did the century in 9.6 seconds, covered 220 yards in less than 22 seconds and was able to leap 23 feet in the broad jump.

Probably one of Montreal's greatest track men, his duels with Bobby Kerr of Hamilton were classics of the Canadian cinders in the era prior to the First Great War.

SMALL TALK

Jean Paul Leduc, 17-year-old Verdun, Que., tumbler and gymnast, has been signed by the Ice-follies.

Rivalry between the Montreal Canadiens and Montreal Maroons of the roaring twenties and tumultuous thirties, may be revived in an exhibition game at Montreal soon. Former Canadiens star Georges Mantha, was recently appointed superintendent of the city of Montreal's recreation and sports division.

SHOW MOTION PICTURES

Motion pictures will be shown by the National Film Board at Saturday's meeting of the James Bay Boys' Club, 565 Michigan Street, at 7.

D. C. Robertson and A. E. Gregg, club officials, will outline the sports activities to be taken up during the coming months. Alderman F. G. Mulliner will be in the chair.

NOVIKOFF SIGNS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lou Novikoff, former Pacific Coast League slugger, Wednesday signed a 1945 contract with the Los Angeles Angels. Don Stewart, president of the club, announced. The salary was not revealed.

Playoff Basketball

Services, K.V.'s Win

United Services will battle Victoria Roofing for the senior B men's city basketball championship. Wednesday night at the High School the services squad turned back Tommy Tuckers 36 to 34 to win the two-game total point series 83 to 74 and qualify for the final, the first game of which will be played Saturday night at the High School.

Ronnie Castner's basket in the last second of play gave the K.V.'s a 38 to 36 triumph over the Eagles in the opener of their best-of-three playoff for the intermediate B boys' title. The ball was, actually in the air as the final game sounded and was a dramatic finish to a thrilling tussle. In a women league clash Rookies won from the Unifs 28 to 18, over-

coming a two-point deficit at half-time.

Services can thank clever Ken Primmer for their victory over Tuckers. In the second half the cafemen twice came within a point of deadlocking the series count only to have the navy star crash through for important baskets. The first time he dropped through three successive two-pointers while on the second occasion he canned two straight.

Rutherford was top scorer for Services with 11 points. Chuck Chapman paced Tuckers with 10, while holding Hank Rowe to five.

Teams and scores follow: Eagles—Booth 6, Browning 6, Tooby 2, Slang 8, Ellis, Page 10, McMillan 4, Webster.

K.V.'s—Anderson 5, Castner 11, Ranson 10, Long 9, Knappett, 3, Turner, Burton, Thompson, Hampton.

United Services—Long 1, Rutherford 11, Millburn, Welch 4, Rowe 5, Shepherd 4, Primmer 11.

Tommy Tuckers—Patterson, Bell, Duncan 5, Chapman 10, Utke 4, Garnet 3, Handy 5, Bryant 2, Michell 2, Perkins 3.

Rookies—Kennedy 14, LaLachneur 8, Milliken 6, Lea, Manton, Lindquist, Coates, Gunniss, Rapet.

Unifs—McCormick 4, Long, staff 2, Stevens 8, Loudoun 2, Kaitenbach, Muir, McKinnon 2, Trevelyan.

Pat Bay Flyers Beaten 48-40 By Vancouver Stars

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver All-Stars defeated the Patricia Bay R.C.A.F. Gremlins 48 to 40 in an exhibition benefit game here Wednesday night. Proceeds of the game were donated to the Prisoner of War parcels fund.

Playing before a crowd of 500 basketball enthusiasts, Coach Joe Hall of the All-Stars followed American college tradition by playing two separate teams in the contest, one a varsity squad, and the other a mixed quintet from the other three teams in Vancouver and district loop.

The Thunderbird crew, which included Sandy Robertson, Art Stillwell, Ron Weber, Ole Bakken and Bruce Yorke, played the first and final quarters while the second string took to the maple court in the second and third stanzas.

The 'Birds took a 9 to 3 count in the first canto before Bobby Scarr, Ken Lawn and Bill Anderson, Lauries, Herb Capozzi of U.B.C. Chiefs, and Gordy Sykes of Highies went into the contest.

Norm Baker and big "Pop" Pay of the Flyers found their shooting eyes in the second quarter and the Gremlins took a 20 to 17 lead at the breather as they outscored the All-Stars 15 to 8.

The Vancouver quintet came back strongly in the third period however, and managed to knot the count at 28 to 28.

LAST QUARTER RALLY

That was the signal for the Thunderbird crew to take over and finish off the one-time Canadian champions. Led by Robertson, they waited to victory as they capitalized on fast breaks to trample the over-anxious Gremlins, 20 to 12, in the final frame.

Ralph Pay, the Pat Bay pivotman, led the scoring with 15, followed by Norm Baker with 13. Robertson led the Vancouver squad with 10.

Although the Gremlins went down fighting, they were without their star sharpshooter and captain, George (Porky) Andrews, who has been in the hospital for several weeks and will not play for the Pat Bay crew again this season.

Teams and scores: First period—Stout 3, McKeachie 1, Lee 6, Phelan 2, N. Baker 13, Pay 15, R. Baker. Vancouver All-Stars: Robertson 9, Bakken 7, Stillwell 7, Weber 5, Yorke 1, Lawn 2, Anderson 4, Capozzi 3, Scarr 3, Sykes 7.

Dozen Players Work At Washington Camp

WASHINGTON (AP) — It wasn't much like prewar days when big-league teams trained down south, but Washington Senators, Wednesday, at least made a start toward another baseball season.

They held the major leagues' first spring drill of the questionable 1945 campaign in weather that was chilly and on ground that was damp at their College Park, Md., camp.

Only three men, pitchers Dutch Leonard and Roger Wolf and catcher Al Evans, were on deck, but enough coaches and town boys also showed around to increase the number in uniform to a dozen or so. Later, John Niggeling, veteran knuckleballer, arrived.

After the brief warmup, newspapermen, club officials and a small group of fans agreed that "anyway, it shows that baseball is going ahead as far as it can," contingent upon what Congress does pending manpower legislation.

A check of the Senators' roster disclosed that most of last year's regulars should be available, with the principal exception of shortstop Johnny Sullivan, who has been accepted for military service.

BREAKS THUMB

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Aubrey Webster, veteran defence man, will be unable to be in the Portland Eagles' lineup when they open their play-off series against the Stars in Seattle.

Webster suffered a fractured thumb Sunday night when smashed with the stick of Roger Jenkins, Stars' playing manager.

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Chicago Moves Into Deadlock for Fourth

That pre-season prediction — we'll finish about fourth" — came back to plague coach Frank Boucher today as his New York Rangers sulked in the National Hockey League cellar.

Ever since the Blueshirts emerged from their Winnipeg training camp last fall Boucher's words have haunted him because Rangers hung around that very spot all season.

And today Chicago Black Hawks, who spent most of the season in the cellar and right on the heels of New York, share the fourth-place playoff berth with Boston Bruins, one-half game ahead of Rangers.

The Hawks alid alongside Bruins at Chicago last night by beating Rangers 6 to 3 and could snatch sole possession of the place by beating Boston in their two scheduled clashes next week.

Pete Horeck touched off a Chicago period rally with a goal at 6:04. Within two minutes Les Ramsay and Clint Smith counted to give Hawks a 3 to 0 lead.

TIE SCORE

Rangers cracked back into the game before the period ended on goals by Hank Gaudup and Bob Dill. Bill Moe tied it up shortly after the second session started but after that it was all Chicago.

Bill Mosienko accounted for the winning goal before the second period ended and Don Grosso and Horeck, with his second of the night, scored in the final session. Boston has six games to play, one against Canadiens at Montreal tonight. Hawks have only four contests to play.

Rangers, their playoff chances slim, meet Red Wings at Detroit tonight's other scheduled contest.

SUMMARY

First period — 1, Chicago, Horeck (Mosienko, Mitchell), 6:04; 2, Chicago, Ramsay (March, Harms), 6:29; 3, Chicago, Smith Cooper, Mitchell, 8:00; 4, New York, Gaudup (Labrie), 19:16; 5, New York, Dill (Hunt, Shack), 19:54. Penalties: Gaudup, Simon, Field.

Second period — 6, New York, Moe, 4:13; 7, Chicago, Mosienko (Smith), 19:00. Penalties: Thur-ler.

Third period — 8, Chicago, Grosso, 17:32; 9, Chicago, Horeck (McDonald, Dahlstrom), 18:47. Penalties: Horeck.

Oak Bay Captures Cup Rugby Match

Oak Bay High School ruggers turned back Victoria High 6 to 3, Wednesday afternoon, to take the lead in the series for possession of the Howard Russell Cup. Clubs battled to a scoreless tie in their first meeting.

Bays went on the offensive from the opening whistle and soon took the lead on a try by Mackenzie. Shortly after Brown made it 6 to 0 with another major score.

Victoria High dominated play in the second half but it was not until near the close of the match that Hunter went over for a try to save his club from a shutout.

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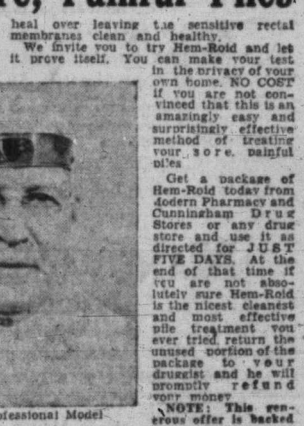
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Mayor Discusses Clearing Station

Need for a clearing station or referral department where citizens seeking information and help from any of the various welfare agencies in the city, could be directed, was discussed at a meeting in Mayor Percy George's office Wednesday.

Attending the meeting with the mayor were Mrs. Kenneth Barr of the Council of Social Agencies; E. G. Snowden, superintendent of city welfare; Ord A. Butters of the Family Welfare Association, and Frank Paulding of the Y.M.C.A.

"There are about 20 to 30 organizations in the city contributing a certain amount to welfare problems and there is going to be a need for a clearing station or referral department," Mayor George said.

The meetings of the group resulted from a letter written to the mayor by Frank Paulding of the Y.M.C.A.

"What is definitely needed is a central clearing house sponsored by the community at large, where the difficult, urgent and problem cases, as well as the normal cases can be dealt with," Mr. Paulding said in his letter, adding that the matter would be of primary importance during the next three to five years.

Ward Six Favors New Municipality

Ninety-eight Saanich Ward Six ratepayers voted for and only three against a motion by W. Warren at a special meeting held Wednesday evening in Temperance Hall, Keating, that the ward leave the municipality and administer its own affairs in a separate rural municipality.

Prior to the motion speakers addressed the meeting on favorable aspects of a separate municipality and decried alleged tax injustices suffered in the present municipality.

Sidney Pickles, chairman, explained provincial government reasons for refusing permission for the area to become unorganized territory. The government wished all districts and municipalities to administer their own affairs, he said.

Ernest L. Tait and A. J. Patton, legal advisers to Ward Six Ratepayers' Association, urged immediate acceptance of the opportunity afforded the residents as they outlined various aspects of the proposed new municipality.

In favoring the break, Mr. Patton said Ward Six ratepayers had received little in return for their money, compared with the urban areas of the municipality.

Expenditures by the council in 1944 were outlined by Councillor W. C. Kersey, who noted payment of \$6,538 to an engineer for conducting a sewer survey. This proposed improvement would benefit the inner wards, but Ward Six was playing a big part in paying for the survey, said Mr. Kersey.

L. E. Taylor spoke of and outlined a successful scheme administered in a small municipality adjoining Kelowna.

School Trustee Mrs. E. M. Bryce, Capt. N. Gray and N. Mitchell were among other speakers who spoke in favor of the proposed action of their ward.

Sir Henry Drayton Not Seeking Seat

Rumors that he might be prevailed upon to accept the Progressive Conservative nomination for Victoria riding for the forthcoming federal election were denied by Sir Henry Drayton, when queried by the Times today.

"I am absolutely not going to enter politics," Sir Henry stated emphatically. "I dropped out of politics in 1928. I have a real job on my shoulders with the Red Cross and am attending to that."

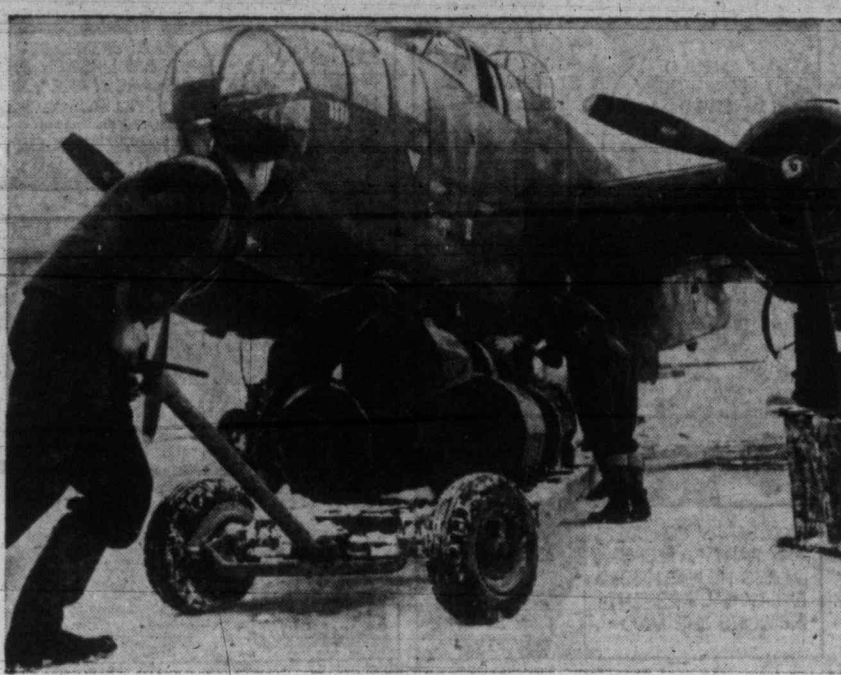
Sir Henry, who in one federal election had the highest majority any candidate ever obtained in a federal election, was minister of finance in the Borden government in 1919.

Sheriff for Peace River

Peace River country is to have its own sheriff for the first time. Attorney-General Maitland announced today he has established a separate jurisdictional district for the block and named Harry Carlin of Pouce Coupe as the first sheriff.

Formerly the work for Peace River was handled from the Prince George sheriff's office.

Junior Chamber of Commerce will entertain the Vancouver Junior Board of Trade at a luncheon next Wednesday, at the Empress Hotel. W. T. Strath, K.C., M.L.A., past president of the Junior Chamber will address the meeting. Members are asked to advise the Chamber of Commerce, E 7191, if they will be present.



CANADIANS LOADING FOR ATTACK—Glimpse of incendiary bombs and heavies being put aboard a Mitchell medium bomber by a Canadian ground crew for a blow at points along the Rhine. Canadians are flying numerous planes of this type in the drive into Germany.

Urge Spartan Life In France in Try To Boost Birthrate

By ROBERT C. WILSON

PARIS (AP)—One reason why the De Gaulle government wants France to tread the postwar path with Spartan-like sobriety is the critical baby shortage.

The population problem is causing far more concern in official quarters than the present lack of fuel and transportation because the national existence depends on solving it.

Hardly had the exuberance of

liberation died when the government started its anti-alcohol campaign, closed Paris night clubs, and tried to popularize fruit juices as a substitute for alcoholic beverages.

The night clubs may open again when there is more coal and electricity. Paris may dance again when the war is over. But the government is going to try to see that the typical young Frenchman of the 1950's is a healthy farmer rather than an absinthe-sipping boulevardier.

WAR LOSSES

Gen. de Gaulle solemnly told his people in a recent speech that France must replace "12,000,000

babies that we have been deprived of in the past 10 years."

As the first step, the government has created a commission of population and family consisting of nine members headed by Gen. de Gaulle. It will plan a new deal for French family life.

The commission contemplates providing a better environment for raising children, better housing and better medical care. It will try to encourage raising children through education, decentralization of large urban populations and through encouragement of immigration.

A government official indicated that drastic taxes would be imposed on unmarried men.

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LETHBRIDGE, Alta. (CP)—

Funeral services were held here Wednesday for Mrs. L. Sproat, 90, who died at her Milk River home, 55 miles southeast of here, early this week. Mrs. Sproat and her husband, James, 93, were Canada's oldest married couple and recently celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary.

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Companies' Act, three groups were registered.

The societies were the Barrow Range Club, Robert A. Murray, Sidney, secretary-treasurer; the Chinese Freemasons Realty Association, Vancouver, and the Lumber Inspectors' Union (B.C. Division), New Westminster.

The Barrow Range Club is a group of No. 3 Company, Pacific Coast Militia Rangers. Funds of the club will be devoted to the good of servicemen overseas, or returned men and their families. President of the club is W. Newton. J. Findell was named vice-president. Honorary president is Col. Cy Peck, V.C.

The new companies, and their capital, are: White Rock Refreshments and Recreations Ltd., \$25,000; Simmers Ltd., \$20,000; Richmond Development Co. Ltd., \$100,000; McMorine & Patterson Ltd., \$10,000; Suncrest Investments Ltd., \$20,000; Sterling Electric Co. Ltd., \$10,000; Urquhart Washburn Ltd., \$25,000; Adanac Contracting Co. Ltd., \$20,000; Dominion Oil Ltd., \$50,000; Industrial Equipment Ltd., \$10,000, and Tansky and Reid Ltd., \$25,000, all with head offices in Vancouver, and Lincoln Mink Farms Ltd., \$10,000, with offices at Hammond.

Electric light and decorations committee which met in the City Hall Wednesday afternoon, recommended to city council the awarding of tenders to seven firms for supplying 5,600 lamps, 500 cluster light globes and 1,000 pounds of wire for the city. The committee recommended also that a street light be installed at Grant Street, midway between Fernwood Road and Stanley Avenue. A request was made by J. A. Heritage.

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Park Improvements Increase Estimates To Record High

Renewal of equipment, general repair work which has been neglected and a definite step forward in the provision of playground equipment for smaller children, resulted in an increase of \$25,411 in estimates of the Parks, Boulevards and Ross Bay Cemetery Committee, which met Wednesday afternoon.

Estimates for the year 1945 which will be recommended to City Council for their consideration, the highest on record according to W. H. Warren, park superintendent, are \$129,227 as compared to 1944 expenditure of \$103,816.

"There is an additional \$1,000 for labor costs for more maintenance work at Ross Bay Cemetery, which has been neglected badly," Mr. Warren said. "Labor costs for Beacon Hill Park are also up \$1,000 for more intensive maintenance."

Included in the estimates are: \$1,200 for a new truck; \$1,000 for pruning oak trees, a policy established some years ago, and \$1,175 for painting park department buildings.

Estimates budgeted for \$1,700 expenditure on new playground equipment for younger children in all parks, as well as \$3,500 for seven new district playlots. The sum of \$1,982 was estimated for work on the James Bay playlot, which has already begun. The sum of \$800 was mentioned for painting the grandstand and bleachers of Athletic Park and cost of flower baskets are up \$900 since the city has decided to take over full maintenance this year.

"We have included in the estimates \$6,500 for a public comfort station in Beacon Hill Park, a matter that has been subject of complaints for many years," Mr. Warren said.

The meeting granted permission to the Gideons to hold an Easter service in Beacon Hill Park and also gave free use of Athletic Park to the B.C. Football Association to play the final game for the McGavin Cup, for benefit of the injured players (and).

The meeting refused a request that a tree in the 300 block Government Street be removed, feeling that it was causing no trouble. A delegation from the S.P.C.A. attended the meeting and discussed destruction of dogs at the pound. They claimed that dogs suffered from the effects of the high temperature in the gas chambers and Mr. Warren asked to explore possibilities of using cyanide acid instead of carbon monoxide from car exhaust, which is the present method.

The committee in camera will deal with limiting the power of the commission to certain sports. The committee also dealt with the bill to set up a Society of Industrial Accountants, and to provide for formation of a co-operative fishermen's insurance company.

Mayne Reid, K.C., of Edmonton, past-president of the Amateur Motion Picture Society of Alberta, will show colored motion pictures of Mexico, California and Jasper Highway, in First United Church Hall, Friday, at 8.15.

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Moving People Out Of Congested Areas To Be Last Resort

Forcing people to move out of the congested area will be the last resort of the Emergency Shelter Administration, Eric R. Gold, deputy co-ordinator, from Ottawa who is in Victoria, said today.

He and Air Vice-Marshal L. F. Stevenson are holding a conference today with D. K. Kennedy, local administrator, to discuss housing problems that are common to Vancouver and Victoria.

Mr. Gold did not wish to comment on any specific problems that have arisen in Victoria until after the conference, because he said he was not sufficiently familiar with them. This is his first routine inspection trip since the declaring of Victoria and Vancouver an emergency shelter area.

He said that they had worked on the principle that the first thing to do was "freeze" the problem—that is keep any additional people from moving in. He was not hopeful that additional building would provide the answer, because he pointed out, labor and material shortages precluded any appreciable amount of housing being completed in time.

The setting up of an emergency shelter administration in any area is decided only after careful consultation with the housing registry and the rentals administration in any area. Mr. Gold explained. Six areas in Canada are now classed as "emergency" areas, Halifax (since 1942), Victoria, Vancouver-New Westminster, Toronto, Ottawa, Hull and Hamilton. If any other community feels it should be classed as an emergency area, it can apply to his office, Mr. Gold said, and the application will be considered.

Prior to undertaking his present job, Mr. Gold was deputy rentals administrator in Ottawa. Before the war he operated a business in Winnipeg.

Suspended Sentence For Pseudo Sailors

Two Vancouver youths, Godfrey Keith Conway and Herbert George Manuel, who were charged in Esquimalt police court Tuesday with making false allegations to Canadian naval officers, thereby causing a public mischief, were each given six months' suspended sentence by Magistrate H. C. Hall today. The magistrate asked for a bond at \$500 each to secure their promised good behavior.

Evidence was given both men had army service, and had been honorably discharged, following which they had made various attempts to get into the services again. Finally, they said, they had hit on the plan which had landed them in trouble.

Dressed in naval uniform, they had gone to the U.S., and when apprehended in Portland, Ore., had claimed to be deserters from H.M.C.S. Discovery. A Canadian naval patrol was sent to bring them back to Canada, where, upon checking records in Ottawa, it was discovered no such ratings existed.

Meet at Crystal Garden

H. D. Campbell, Vancouver, president of the C.A.S.A., who will be in Victoria this weekend, wants all young people and parents interested in swimming to attend an informal meeting at 3 Saturday afternoon at the Crystal Garden.

At 8 Saturday evening the B.C. section, C.A.S.A., will meet Mr. Campbell at the Y.M.C.A. Coach of the Y.M.C.A. Swimming Club, Archie McKinnon, will take 16 members of the club to Vancouver March 17 to stage a return meet with the Vancouver Olympic "Y" Swimming Club. The Victoria swimmers scored a win here over the Vancouver group last November.



FIRST ALLIED INVESTMENT ON GERMAN SOIL—Figuring in the first Allied investment on German soil in this war, were, left to right: Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, C.B., D.S.O., general-officer-commanding-in-chief 1st Canadian Army; Lieut. John K. Heath, M.C., Toronto; Capt. David Spencer, M.C., Regina; Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery; Gen. James G. Tilly, M.M., Lindsay, Ont., and Lt.-Gen. Guy Simmons, C.B.E., D.S.O., Victoria, B.C.

Town Topics

Executive committee of the Victoria Branch, Navy League of Canada, will be elected at the annual meeting this evening at Prince Robert House.

Charges of violations of War-time Prices and Trade Board regulations laid earlier against Norman R. Hill, David Spencer Ltd. and Kirkham's Ltd., which were remanded to Friday at the request of J. B. Celarihue, K.C., prosecutor.

Percy Leech, Vancouver, entertained members of the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society, Wednesday, at the Empress Hotel with a humorous talk which he called "A Visit to Philatelia." The features of the imaginary land and the customs of its inhabitants were all founded on pictures and peoples shown in the designs of the various postage stamps of the world.

Victoria Landlords Obey Regulations

In general the landlords of Victoria are obeying the rental control regulations to the letter, J. D. Gunn, rentals appraiser for this area, said today.

However, there has been some confusion about notices to vacate for single family dwellings and multiple-family dwellings.

Where the landlord wishes to move into a house he owns, he may get possession on six months' notice to the tenant, and on his undertaking to live in the premises for at least a year, or arrange for his father, mother, son, daughter, or daughter-in-law to take possession, Mr. Gunn explained.

Where he owns an apartment block however, he may give notice to a tenant of one suite to move in himself, provided he is not already living in the block. That means, Mr. Gunn said, that the owner cannot move from one suite to another in the same block and evict tenants by that means. Neither can he move his relatives in by giving notice to a tenant.

B.C. Reforestation Mainly On Island

Arthur Dudley Harvey, Sidney merchant, was fined \$65 or one month's imprisonment and \$250 costs by Magistrate H. C. Hall in provincial police court Wednesday on six charges of breaking War-time Prices and Trade Board regulations.

Harold Neale, W.T.P.B. investigator, relating circumstances, said he had gone into Harvey's store where he found lamb and veal which were not cut as specified by the board's chart; sausage sold at one cent above the maximum; no display of a retail cutting chart, and no cards showing price or size of oranges, lemons and grapefruit displayed in the store.



CORNY PICTURE—Nature was almost too bountiful in central Nebraska, where there was such a bumper corn crop that storing and preserving it is a critical problem. In photo above, 24,000 bushels lie on the ground outside an elevator, at Shelton, Neb. Elevator is full and has a heavy backlog.

Advance British Units Penetrate Mandalay Suburbs

CALCUTTA (CP)—Advance elements of the British 19th Division plunged into the northern suburbs of Mandalay today, and official estimates at Allied headquarters left the impression the fall of Burma's second city was imminent.

In their 14-mile dash southward from Madaya to Mandalay Indian troops of the British Division by-passed a considerable number of Japanese. These enemy groups appear dazed and bewildered and are scheduled for later elimination.

Chinese troops 130 miles north-east of Mandalay smashed two miles through Japanese defences and occupied New Lashio and its railway station, establishing Allied control of the entire Burma Road from Lashio to Kunning. The Chinese had captured Old Lashio Wednesday.

Enemy battle plans apparently have been disorganized by the British dash across the Irrawaddy River valley to the Meiktila area, an operation which has threatened the Japanese rear communications.

Italian Premier Promises Purge; Cabinet Approves

ROME (AP)—Shots were fired in the night at Carabinieri guarding a clinic where Lt.-Gen. Count Francesco Jacomoni is held on war crimes charges, in another of the series of demonstrations so far weathered by Premier Ivanoe Bonomi.

No attempt was made to burst into the hospital.

The escape last Sunday of Gen. Mario Roatta and a protest riot before the royal palace were previous incidents of the week.

The cabinet declared its confidence in Bonomi late Wednesday. Opposition parties protested anew against his retention of control of the government.

The cabinet, sitting in extraordinary session, affirmed confidence in the Premier after he had promised a swift Fascist purge. An announcement said the four-party government had found no reason "for breaking up the coalition which first planned and already has begun vast action for intensifying the war and bettering Italy's position in the world."

The announcement added that a commission had been named to reorganize the commissariat for punishment of war crimes.

Gen. Roatta, former Italian army chief of staff, was on trial on war crime charges when he escaped.

One Bacon Charge, Not Four, Against Owner

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In Divorce Collusion

Steps to prevent collusion in divorce cases in B.C. were initiated by Attorney-General Maitland in a bill introduced Wednesday night in the Legislature.

It gives him power to intervene in divorce suits where collusion is suspected. He may do so at any point in the case up until the divorce judge issues a decree.

One clause of the bill reads: Upon intervention the attorney-general may at any stage of the proceedings, and whether he has filed a notice of intervention or not, show collusion or fraud, or that the petitioner has been accessory to or has connived at or condoned the adultery or any other facts upon which the petition may be based.

Another bill introduced by the attorney-general makes it legal to submit photographs or photographic films of documents as evidence, when such photographs are kept as a general practice.

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Glad of Warm Coat, But Flowers Here Surprise Melton

Bright, breezy, debonair and very glad he had on a heavy coat, James Melton, Metropolitan tenor, who sang in Victoria last night, stepped off the boat to be greeted by a chilling wind and overcast skies from a Victoria that was still a little indignant over his slur on her weather last Sunday.

The tall, handsome young singer was enthusiastic about everything he saw in Victoria and was keenly disappointed because the fact that the boat was an hour and a half late deprived him of a chance to go through the Legislative Building and see some of the other sights.

He and Mrs. Melton, who is accompanying him on the tour, hope to be able to make arrangements to stay in Victoria all day today and fly over to Vancouver tonight, where he will sing Friday. This is their first visit to the Canadian west coast.

A gang of school girls waited patiently for their idol to appear and then almost missed him. However, one of them spotted him as he started to stroll across the Causeway with Mrs. Melton and his accompanist, Robert Huff, stader, and tore breathlessly after the party.

"Jeepers," gasped the singer, as they surrounded him. "What's this?" Autograph books were quickly produced and he smilingly signed the lot of them, commenting "For two of my autographs you can get one of Frank Sinatra's, you know."

Both he and Mrs. Melton seemed a little dubious that flowers were actually in bloom outdoors here, until they were shown the evidence in the crocuses that are on the Parliament Building lawns. Further evidence was awaiting them at the Empress Hotel, where another Victorian sent them a beautiful box of flowers picked from her garden.

They make their home in Connecticut at a 40-acre farm, 30 miles out of New York, and plan to spend the entire summer there. During the opera season they live in a New York hotel. Mr. Melton has a tight schedule on his present tour, singing every other day. For March 25 he has to fly from San Francisco to New York to broadcast, and then fly back to San Francisco again to complete his tour. His March 25 broadcast, it was explained, is a special benefit for the U.S. Army to raise funds to buy instruments for wounded men.

Another worry awaited Mr. Melton after he arrived at the hotel. The valet had gone home for the night and how was he to get his dress suit pressed? However, he didn't seem too upset about it, rushing off immediately to the theatre to run over a few scales with his accompanist.

The trip from Vancouver was quite rough, and Mrs. Melton told how her husband had played Sir Galahad to two old ladies, who were violently seasick by holding their heads. "We loved the trip



FRED ASTAIRE, who appears with Paulette Goddard in "Second Chorus," now at the York Theatre.

over," he commented. "Only wish the sun had been shining; but we love the water any way. It was a heavenly cold thought." Mrs. Melton said quickly, "And we had a picnic in the car in it."

"We know you have beautiful weather out here, and only wish we could stay long enough to see more of your lovely city," they said.

500 More Canadians Get Home On Leave

By the Canadian Press

Back from the battlefronts of Europe for a long-awaited visit home, more than 500 Canadian veterans wearing the red and blue patches of the 1st and 2nd Canadian Divisions, have arrived in Canada on 30-day leaves.

Third group of veterans to return under the Iyation home leave plan, the men are all veterans of five years' service overseas.

With them came a large contingent of British brides of Canadian servicemen, nursing sisters and members of the C.W.A.C. and the R.C.A.F. Women's Division.

Several hundred Canadian servicemen arrived for various medical reasons, and wound stripes also were a common sight among the 30-day men.

Dr. H. P. Johns Gives Lecture On Guidance

Choosing as his topic "Guidance as an Essential to Education in a Democracy," Dr. H. P. Johns, director of educational and vocational guidance, Department of Education, gave an interesting address at the monthly meeting of North Saanich P.T.A. on Monday. He declared that "with the student, not subject matter, as the yardstick," modern educators and vocational counsellors make a close study of each individual and give guidance and counsel to the youth in accordance with the particular individual's abilities, tendencies, areas of interest and achievements. Dr. Johns explained the use of various standardized tests to gain a knowledge of the child. He recommended that an "activity record" of each child be kept throughout his years in school to serve as a guide to teachers who give vocational guidance.

Business at the meeting included the selection of two delegates, Mrs. W. S. Harrison and Mrs. J. J. Woods, to attend the Parent-Teacher Federation convention, to be held in Vancouver during the Easter holidays. Program committees, representing various districts, were also chosen to arrange entertainment for the "teen-age canteen."

A group of songs were given by Miss Pamela Gaze, with Miss Kathleen Baker as accompanist.

Saved Boiler Burst In Greenhill Park

VANCOUVER (CP)—First Engineer Jim Brown probably prevented the boilers bursting aboard the steamship Greenhill Park Tuesday.

Brown was in the engine room when the first blast occurred and started up the ladder, but went back to shut off the steam.

He managed to get top side again and dived overboard.

Where To Go Tonight

ATLAS—Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon in "Mrs. Parkington."

CADET—"Road to Singapore," starring Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour.

CAPITOL—Arturo de Cordova and Joan Fontaine in "Frenchman's Creek."

DOMINION—Hedy Lamarr and Paul Henreid in "The Conspirators."

OAK BAY PLAZA—Jack Oakie and Maria Montez in "Bowery to Broadway."

RIO—"The Weird Woman," starring Evelyn Ankers and Lon Chaney.

YORK—Fred Astaire and Paulette Goddard in "Second Chorus."

Dominion Brings 'Prisoner of Zenda'

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It opens at the Dominion Theatre, Friday.

Atlas Holds Over 'Mrs. Parkington'

Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon appear in their costarring roles in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Mrs. Parkington," which is currently at the Atlas Theatre, with a cast including Edward Arnold, Tom Drake, Frances Rafferty, Agnes Moorehead and Cecil Kellaway.

Bing, Lamour, Hope Romp in 'Singapore'

The new travel trend to sojourns in the South Seas has its motion picture counterpart in "Road to Singapore," the sprightly film which Paramount releases today at the Cadet Theatre with Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour in the leading roles, seconded by Charles Coburn, Judith Barrett, Anthony Quinn and Jerry Colonna, the redoubtable Professor of Hope's Pepsodent show.

'Second Chorus' Stars Fred Astaire

The theatre was jumpy with unrestrained joy today when Paramount's new swing comedy, "Second Chorus," starring Fred Astaire and his new dancing partner, beautiful Paulette Goddard, arrived at the York Theatre.

Buoyant with light comedy situations, the merry music of Artie Shaw and his band, and the delightful dancing of Fred Astaire and Paulette Goddard, the picture is a joy to the sight and a treat to the ear. It is thoroughly entertaining film fare.

Handsomely produced by Boris Morros, the picture boasts the considerable directional talents of Henry C. Potter, who never let interest slacken for an instant. The cast, too, is unusually good, and has the fine comic capabilities of Burgess Meredith and Charles Butterworth.

OAK BAY AND PLAZA THEATRES

Not to be outdone by his longtime friend, Jimmy Cagney, who proved himself quite a hooper in "Yankee Doodle Dandy," Frank McHugh took hoofing lessons for his role in Universal's important musical, "Bowery to Broadway," which is now at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

McHugh, teamed with Rosemary De Camp, has one of the top featured roles in the film.

RIO THEATRE

Lon Chaney, the Universal film star who specializes in the creation of characters you would rather not meet in a dark alley, is starred in the film, "Weird Woman," which is now at the Rio Theatre. One of the screen's great exponents of character roles, Chaney portrays a sinister priest, while Anne Gwynne and Evelyn Ankers are co-stars. Lois Collier, Ralph Morgan and Elizabeth Risdon head the supporting cast.

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man's Creek," this Paramount technicolor production, which is currently at the Capitol Theatre, is all things to all moviegoers. For those who are enthralled by great romance, "Frenchman's Creek" is a powerful love story, set against a thrill-studded background. Joan Fontaine and Arturo de Cordova, co-starred in the picture, are a romantic team to rival any yet seen on the screen.

DOMINION THEATRE
Warner Brothers' newest excursion into the field of romance and intrigue, "The Conspirators," is now showing at the Dominion Theatre, starring Hedy Lamarr and Paul Henreid. The vehicle serves to bring back that priceless triumvirate of international knaves composed of Peter Lorre, Sydney Greenstreet and Victor Francen.

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